







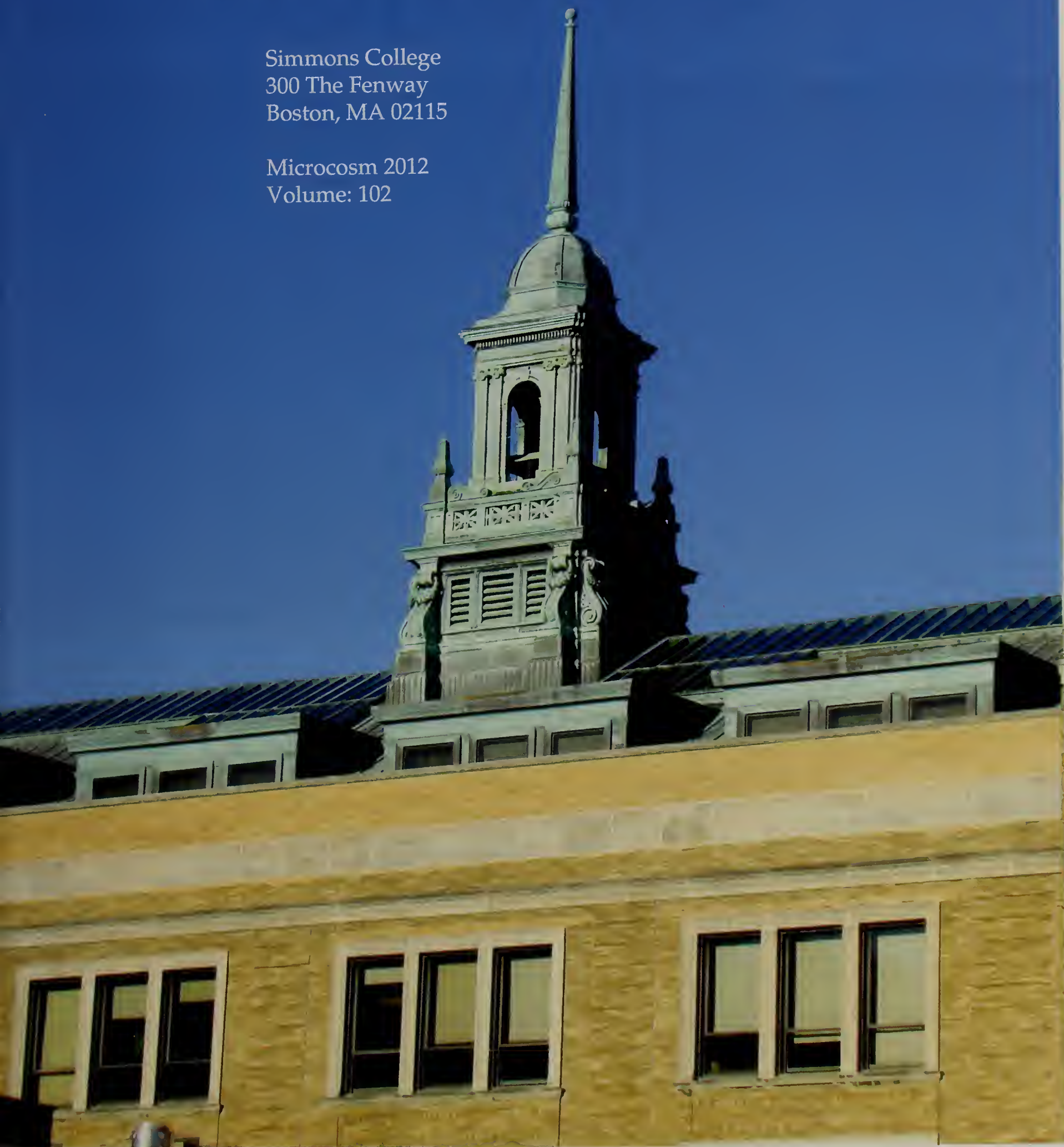




# Microcosm

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# we are Simmons...



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# Simmons

# Simmons College President Helen Drinan





# about President Drinan

President Drinan has been a leader in both for-profit and non-profit organizations which have given her a host of knowledge to use at Simmons. President Drinan is an alum of not one, but two Simmons graduate students. She graduated the Simmons School of Management and the school Library and Information Science.

She assumed the role of President in 2008. During her time at Simmons she has led Simmons to a position of competitive strength — financially, academically and operationally — in an economic climate which has been especially challenging for the higher education field. President Drinan attended Mount Holyoke College as an undergraduate, which means she knows the value of an all-women's college. Drinan was a well-known and highly respected leader in healthcare, civic, and business circles before assuming the Presidency of Simmons College.


Since 1995 Drinan has been a member of the Board of Directors of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts. She currently serves the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as a member of the Court Management Advisory Board, a group of private citizens appointed to assist with improving the operations of the Commonwealth's court system; she is a member of the Board of Directors of the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities in Massachusetts (AICUM), the Boston Chamber of Commerce, the board of leaders for 2020 Women on Boards, an organization dedicated to increasing the number of women on U.S. public boards to 20% or greater by the year 2020, and is a member of the Massachusetts Women's Forum.

Drinan received an MBA from the Simmons School of Management in 1978, a Master of Library and Information Science for the Simmons Graduate School of Library and Information Science in 1975, and a B.A. from Mount Holyoke College in 1969. In 1993, the School of Management named her the recipient of the Phyllis Rappaport Alumnae Achievement Award.





# academics



**E**ducation can change the world. We know that with a great education we can do amazing things. Simmons students are smart, vivacious, outgoing, creative, determined, and passionate. It is with the support of amazing faculty and staff that Simmons students take on their dreams and overcome challenges. We asked you why you chose Simmons College and this is what you told us. "I chose Simmons College because I have a passion for institutions that support women. Once I stepped on campus I knew it was a college filled with a strong, intelligent, and driven student body and faculty. It has been a positive community for me to grow into an independent woman. I have made many friends and connections I will never forget", is what Megan McCabe said. According to Carolyn Noyes, "There were many reasons why I ultimately decided to come to Simmons over other institutions, but it was the personalization that first hooked me. When I got my acceptance packet in the mail there was a letter that told me why I was wanted as part of the Simmons community, including what was mentioned in my application, essays, and letters of recommendation. I was so impressed that not only had Simmons read my application, but they took the time to write me back such a thoughtful response." When asked this question Samantha Schenck said, "I chose Simmons because when I visited campus it felt like home. The community was friendly, faculty seemed to truly care about me as an individual, students wanted to be engaged and were excited about the opportunities they were given, the academics were rigorous and would help me grow as an academic and prepare me for my future, and the campus was beautiful. When I walked into 300 The Fenway, I could see myself living here for the next four years, growing into the person I had always wanted to become and being able to succeed." Simmons students can agree that it wasn't just the superb classes and faculty that drew them to Simmons, but also that Simmons felt like a place they would be able to grow, learn, and call home.



# Dean of the College of Arts & Sciences



# about Dean Renée White

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In September of 2011 Renée T. White became Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. She is an expert in issues of gender, race, and HIV / AIDS. Before becoming the Dean at Simmons White was a professor of sociology and Black studies at Fairfield University, where she was appointed the first academic coordinator for Diversity and Global Citizenship and helped develop Service for Justice, a sophomore residential community focused on diversity and social justice. Her research and teaching areas include reproductive health, social inequality, sexuality, and social justice, particularly related to women of color. She has served on the board for the Hispanic Health Council Institutional Review Board in Hartford, CT; and has been a member of the American Sociological Association; the Institute for Women's Policy Research; the International Association for the Study of Sexuality, Culture, and Society; and the National Black Women's Health Project. White also was a Wye Faculty Fellow at the Aspen Institute, and was selected as a Delegate for Vision 2020, a national initiative dedicated to gender equity. She received a National Endowment for the Humanities summer Fellowship in Black film studies. White holds a B.A. from Brown University, and a M.A. and Ph.D. from Yale University.



# seen



Students are hard at work in their classes

# heard,

LEARN TO THINK LOGICALLY AND  
SOLVE PROBLEMS WITH A COMPUTER  
SCIENCE MAJOR

# noted,

The Communications  
Department has some amazing  
alum, like Denise Di Novi

# quoted.

"I like learning different  
ways to communicate my  
ideas, which is why I study  
Communications"



## ART & MUSIC

Bridget Lynch, Colleen Kiely, Edie Bresler, Gregory Slowik,  
Margaret Hanni, Vaughn Sills



## BIOLOGY

D. Bruce Gray, Charlotte Russell, Elizabeth Scott, Jane  
Lopilato, Jonathan Reichard, Jyl Richards, Kevin Murphy,  
Maria Abate, Mary Owen, Tracy Machinski

## DEPARTMENTS A-E



## CHEMISTRY

Michael J. Berger, Changqing Chen, Richard W. Gurney,  
Michael D. Kaplan, Cheryl L. Lavoie, Nancy E. Lee, Jennifer  
A. Roecklein-Canfield, Leonard J. Soltzberg



## COMMUNICATIONS

Joan Abrams, Gabriela Antunes, Judith Aronson, Sid Berger,  
Dan Connell, James Corcoran, MJ Craig, Marlene G. Fine,  
Ellen Grabiner, Len Mailloux, Alissa Miller, Andrew Porter,  
Judith Richland, Bob White



## COMPUTER SCIENCE

Margaret Menzin, Nanette Veilleus, and Bruce Tis

## History of the Economics Department at Simmons College:

Economics courses have been offered at Simmons since the college was founded in 1899, but it wasn't until 1966-1967 that the Economics Department was established and economics was offered as a concentration. Until that time, economics was only offered under "Courses of Instruction."

\*picture will be featured in the Summer Supplement

## ECONOMICS

Masato Aoki, Donald Basch, Carole Biewener, Niloufer  
Sohrabji

# departments



The Simmons Department of Education:  
Building on a century of experience and expertise,  
Simmons offers an exceptional undergraduate  
program in education as well as many exciting  
graduate programs.

Whether you've always known you want to teach or  
have only come to that understanding recently,  
Simmons College congratulates you on choosing to  
prepare for a profession that can be both satisfying  
and challenging.

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## EDUCATION

Paul Abraham, Joy Bettencourt, Janet Chumley, Maryellen  
Cunnion, Ellen May Davidson, Stephen Furtado, Daren  
Graves, Helen Guttentag, Stephanie Hamel, Roberta Kelly,  
Gary Oakes, Alfred Rocci, Jr., Janie Ward



## ENGLISH

J. Douglas Perry, Renée Bergland, Pamela Bromberg, Kelly  
Hager, Sheldon George, David Gullette, Suzanne Leonard,  
Cathryn Mercier, Lowry Pei, Afaa Michael Weaver, Richard  
Wollman



## HISTORY

Laura Prieto, Professor Laurie Crumpacker, Sarah Leonard,  
Zhigang Liu, Stephen Ortega, Stephen Berry, John Trevor  
Coates



## MANAGEMENT

Jill Avery, Bonita Betters-Reed, Stacy Blake-Beard, Patricia  
Deyton, Shuili Du, Mary Finlay, Indra Guertler, Paula  
Gutlove, Susan Hass, Cynthia Ingols, Deborah Kolb, J. Barry  
Lin, Deborah Marlino, Sylvia Maxfield, Jane Mooney, Lynda  
Moore, Teresa Nelson, Mindell Reiss Nitkin, Susan Sampson,  
Mary Shapiro, Spela Trefalt, Abbott Weiss, Nataliya Zaiats

## DEPARTMENTS E-M



## MATH

David S. Browder, Donna L. Beers, Michael L. Brown, Robert Goldman, Margaret S. Menzin, David Novak



## MODERN LANGUAGES

Dánisa Bonacic, Lylian Bourgois, Tulio Campos, Florence Ciret-Strecker, Louise Cohen, Eduardo Febles, Alister Inglis, Zhigang Liu, Dolores Peláez-Benítez, Ruihua Sun

seen,



On a nice day the tables outside are hot commodities

heard,

THE HISTORY DEPARTMENT  
HAS SO MANY INTERESTING  
CLASSES TO TAKE

noted,

Managment classes teach  
you how to manage people  
and businesses

quoted.

"I like the way  
Languages combines  
culture and linguistics." -  
Krystle Gillietti



History of the Nursing Program:  
Simmons College has provided higher education programs for Nurses since its beginning in 1902 and for the Nurse practitioners since 1978. In 2007 the Department celebrated the 100th anniversary of the first graduating class of Simmons Nurses.

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### NURSING

Josephine Atinaja-aller, Anne-Marie Barron, Judy A. Beal, Charlene J. Berube, Terry Buttaro, LaDonna Christian, Jean Christoersen, Margaret Costello, Terry Davies, Sarah Cass, Desmond M. Colette, Dieujuste, Susan M Duty, Priscilla Gazarian, Donna M. Glynn, Makeda Kamara, Rebecca Koeniger-Donohue, Jocelyn Lotus, Arlene J. Lowenstein, Marla Lynch, Eileen M. McGee, Linda R. Moniz, Susan Neary, Janet Sweeney Rico, Patricia Rissmiller, Karen Harvey Teeley, Victor Tsveybel, Sarah Volkman, Nathan W. Samuels, Julie Vosit-Steller, Olga M. Sullivan, Patricia A. White



### NUTRITION

Nancie Harvey Herbold Ed.D., R.D., Lisa Sciacca Brown, Ph.D., R.D., Sari Edelstein, Ph.D., R.D., Teresa T. Fung, S.D., R.D., Elizabeth Metallinos-Katsaras, Ph.D., R.D.



### PHILOSOPHY & SOCIOLOGY

Wanda Torres Gregory, Diane Raymond, Sue Stafford, Jo Trigilio, Shirong Luo, Valerie Leiter, Jyoti Puri, Stephen London, Becky Thompson, Shelley White

The Psychology Department:  
Psychology at Simmons provides students with both an opportunity and a resource. The opportunity is to learn in conjunction with a dedicated, able and available faculty what psychology is and can be. The resource is the variety of courses, ideas and facilities found both within the department and beyond that enable psychology to contribute to students' college experience and career plans.

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### PSYCHOLOGY

Rachel Galli, Gerald P. Koocher, Geoffrey Turner, Gregory Feldman, Sarah Martin, John Reeder



## DEPARTMENTS N-P

The Department of Women & Gender Studies: The Department of Women's and Gender Studies helps students develop theoretical, empirical, and methodological perspectives for studying the status and experiences of women. By considering gender in diverse national and international contexts, students study the multiple and contested meanings and roles of gender to develop an understanding of how gender is related to other social categories such as race, class, age, sexuality, religion, and nationality.

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## WOMEN &amp; GENDER STUDIES

Dawna Thomas, Carole Biewener, Laurie Crumpacker, Kelly Hager, Diane Hammer, Laura Prieto, Diane Raymond, Mary Jane Treacy, Jo Trigilio



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Students stroll outside on their way to classes

heard,

TAKE PHILOSOPHY AND  
ANSWERS QUESTIONS ABOUT  
LIFE

noted,

Nutrition teaches you about  
how to keep yourself and  
others healthy

quoted.

"I like Nursing because I  
get to help people every  
day"



# Dean's Investitures

## Renee White

An investiture is a ceremony where honors or rank are formally conferred to a person. In this case it was the rank of Dean that was bestowed. Simmons hasn't had an investiture in many years, but this year three investitures occurred and Renee White became the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, Judy Beal was inducted as the Dean of the School of Nursing and Health Sciences, and Cathy Minehan became the Dean of the School of Management.



Renee White is a leading expert on gender, race, and HIV/AIDS and a former professor of sociology and Black studies at Fairfield University.

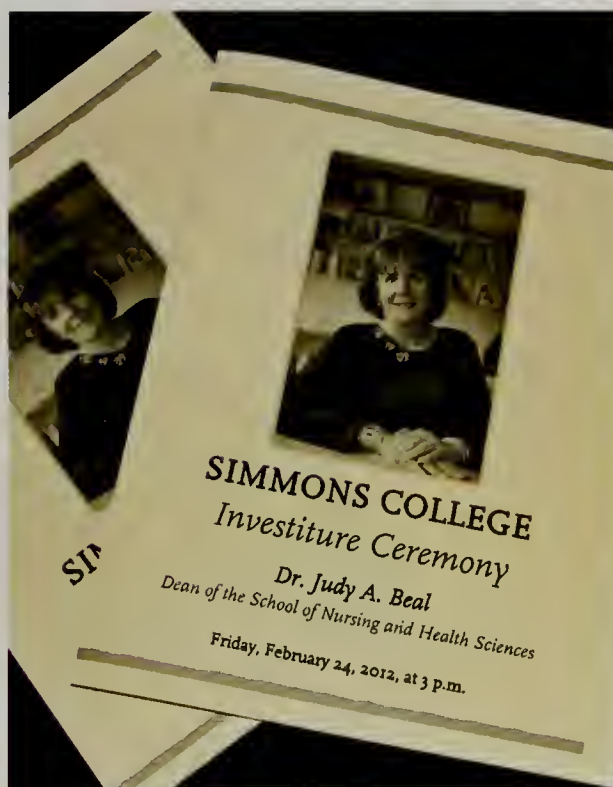
Her areas of research include reproductive health, social inequality, sexuality, and social justice. She is the current Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.





# Judy Beal

Judy Beal has served Simmons College for nearly 30 years and was vice president of the Massachusetts Association of Colleges of Nursing. Judy Beal is the Dean of the School of Nursing and Health Sciences at Simmons.



# Cathy Minehan

Cathy Minehan is the Dean of the School of Management and is a recognized business and finance expert, who was the former president and CEO of the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston. She sees herself as a leader who sets targets and goals, and who listens and revises her decisions based on others' input.



Photos courtesy of Diane Hammer,



# Scott Ross Center



For more than 100 years, Simmons College has inspired its students to combine learning with action for a more just and equitable world. Today, the Scott/Ross Center (S/RC) for Community Service takes the lead in advancing this commitment to visionary education and civic engagement. The S/RC works closely with nearly 60 community-based organizations to provide experience-based learning.





# Study Abroad

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## 5 Popular destinations



Florence



Australia



France



Greece



Norway



ITALY



SWITZERLAND



### a student's view:

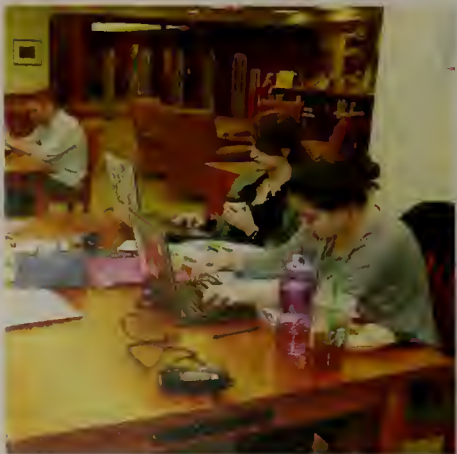
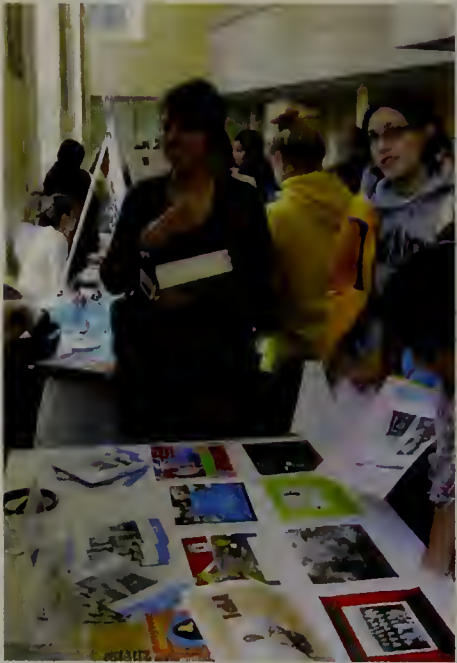
Only a month in and this experience has already changed my life. Every day I walk out my door, its an adventure. I never know what I'm going to see or experience in a country that is totally new to me. Not to mention I'm traveling to a new city every other weekend. I love art history and architecture, so I definitely came to the right place to see masterpieces first hand. People always used to say to me that studying abroad was the best thing that ever happened to them. And I never really understood why, until now. No one will be able to know the true meaning and feelings behind your stories except for those who were with you. You meet so many people and everyone is friendly and accepting because you are all in the same foreign boat. While I would prefer Dunkins over an espresso and I miss my friends and family terribly, I am having the time of my life and forging memories I'll never forget." by Micayla Boari

Every semester Simmons students take off on a journey of a lifetime and travel the world. From China to Peru and Italy to Japan. Students take their studies internationally to learn about themselves, new cultures, and their major of choice.

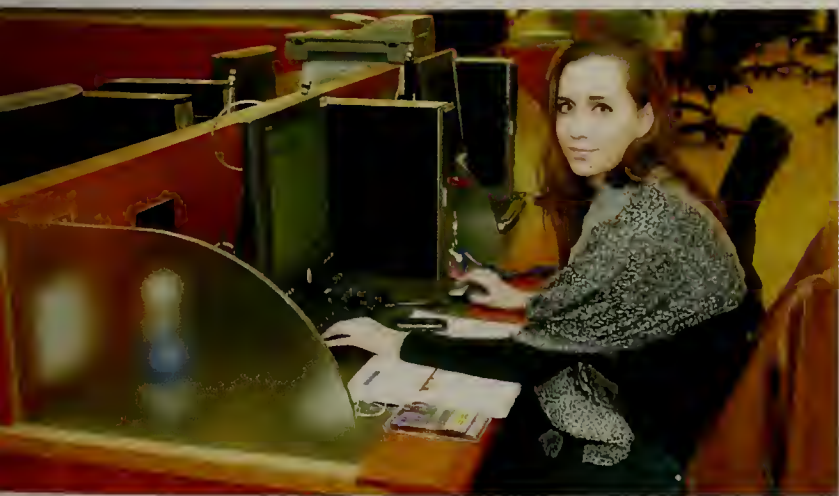
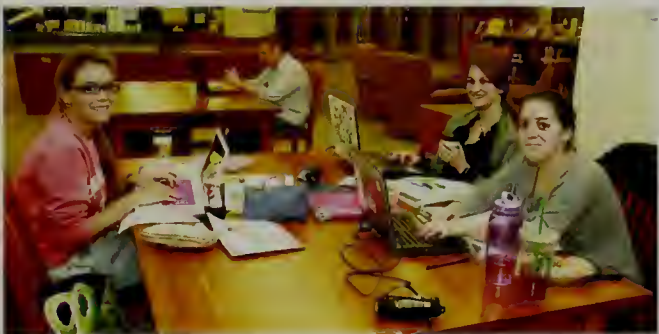
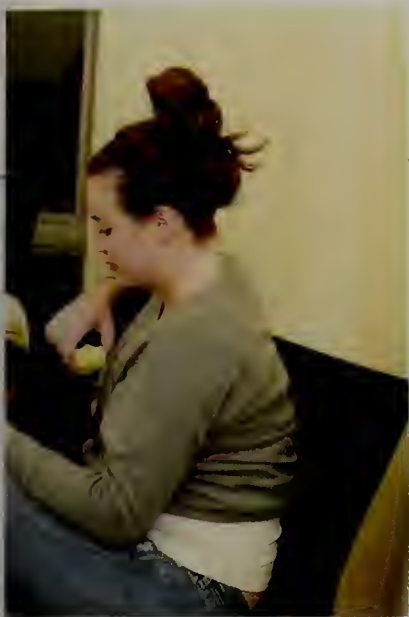
With the help of the Simmons Study Abroad Office, many people are able to travel and learn.

Photos courtesy of Simmons Study Abroad Office and Micayla Boari
















# student life



**T**here are many different reasons why people decide to come to Simmons. The academics. The city. Simmons' reputation as an educational institution. But what they get from Simmons is so much more than great academics. They find amazing friends. Interesting women who are passionate about their friends, extracurriculars, and school work. There are so many clubs and organizations to take part in at Simmons. The Collegiate Entrepreneurship Organization, The Sexuality, Women's and Gender Center, Microcosm, The Voice, PRSSA, BSO, SGA, Model UN, and so much more. The opportunities are endless. It isn't just clubs and organizations to get involved with, there are sports teams and intramurals, LEAP classes, and volunteer organizations. There truly is something for everybody at Simmons! There is no end to the possibilities for getting involved with Simmons and our community. One of the things Simmons believes strongly in is giving back to our community and to combine learning with community service in order to create a fairer world. Thanks to the Scott/Ross Center every Simmons student has the opportunity to be involved in their community. There is no end to the ways that are available to get involved in their community. There is no end to the ways that are available to get involved in Simmons and to form lasting relationships and friendships.

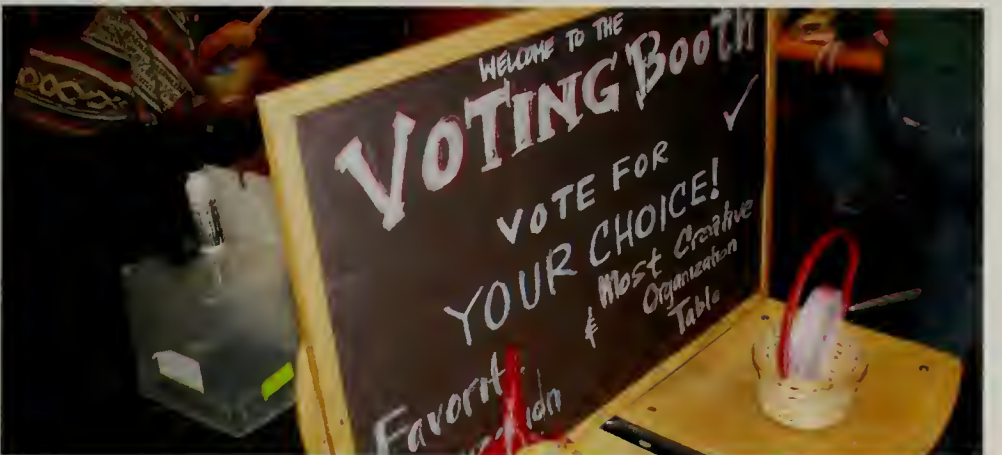




"WORK HARD, BUT HAVE  
FUN!"









# dean of student life

## Sarah Neill



Sarah Neill assumed the role of Dean for Student Life in June 2009, having served as the Associate Dean of Student Life for eleven years. As associate dean, she played a leading role in matters pertaining to student health and wellness across the College and has presented at regional and national conferences on related topics. Prior to her tenure at Simmons, Neill served as assistant dean at Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut, and has additional student affairs experience working at Smith College and Lesley and Bentley Universities. Neill has chaired the New England Associate Student Affairs Think Tank, comprised of deans from a range of colleges and universities from the New England region. She also is the recipient of the 2004 Award for Professional Excellence from the Massachusetts Association for Women in Education. Neill holds a B.A. from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, and an Ed.M. from Harvard University.

The Office of the Dean for Student Life, of which Sarah is in charge, coordinates a comprehensive set of programs and services designed to enhance Simmons College undergraduate and graduate students' educational experiences. The Student Life Division is comprised of the Athletics Department, the Counseling Center, Disability Services, the Health Center, the Health Education Program, the Office of Residence Life, the Office of Student Leadership and Activities, and Spiritual Life.

Sarah Neill is supportive of all students on campus and thus has contributed to Simmons's vibrancy.





# Orientation &



## "WELCOME CLASS OF 2015"

The Simmons Orientation Leaders volunteer their time over the summer to help new students get around and introduce them to Simmons. Orientation Leaders, Street Team Members, and Residence Life Staff welcome them to campus during move-in





# Move In

## TOP 5 tips on college life



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Take advantage of being in Boston and explore the city! There is so much available to you.



Get to know the members of the faculty. They are all fantastic and have so much information to share that goes beyond the classroom.



Find clubs that you want to join. You make amazing friends through taking part in student life.



Take classes outside your major. You might discover that you have a passion for something you never thought you would enjoy.



These four years are amazing, take it one day at a time and enjoy your time at Simmons!



# honors convocation



The purpose of Honors Convocation is to welcome and inform freshman about Simmons and it is the first event for seniors to celebrate their last year at Simmons.





Seeing all the seniors in caps and gowns and your professors in their academic dress is a great experience. It is nice to recognize students who have achieved academic honors and those that will be graduating in the spring.



# family weekend



"MY PARENTS LOVED  
BEING A PART OF THE  
SIMMONS  
COMMUNITY"



Being at college is a very independent time. But once a year, parents flock to Simmons to see how their daughters are thriving at Simmons. Activities and events are planned to make sure they have a great time!





# TOP 5 destinations



Take your parents to Bartol Hall so they can experience a day in your life as a Simmons student.



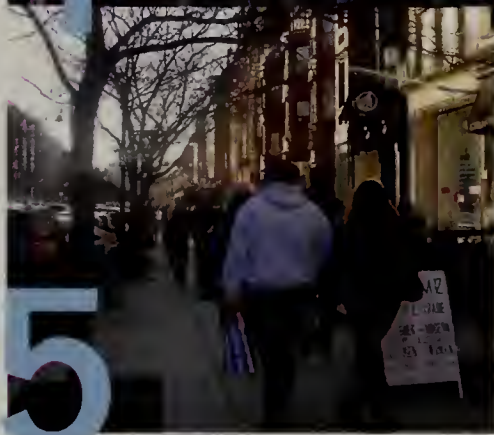
There are so many sports events happening during family weekend. Support the Simmons sports teams and cheer them on!



Take your parents to the fifth floor of the management building. It has a great view of the city.



Make sure to check out the Prudential Center. There are lots of places to shop and eat!

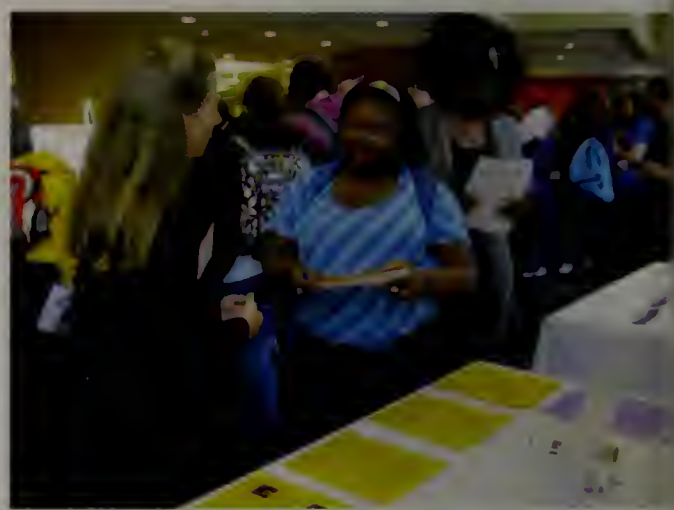


Make sure to bring some money for shopping when you stop by Newbury Street.



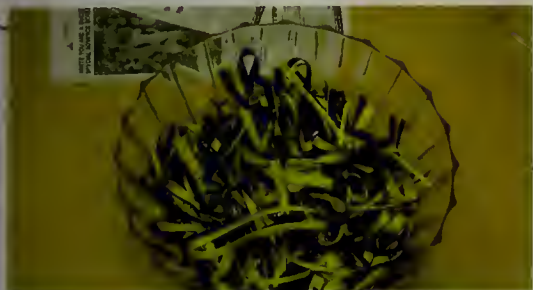
# major shopping trip

Choosing a major is a daunting task so the Student Government Association organizes a "major" shopping trip. Different departments set up around the Fens to advertise their majors. Students get the opportunity to talk to professors to better understand their majors. The "trip" gave a better insight into what majors entail and Simmons has to offer. Students had the advantage of exploring the possibilities their futures hold.

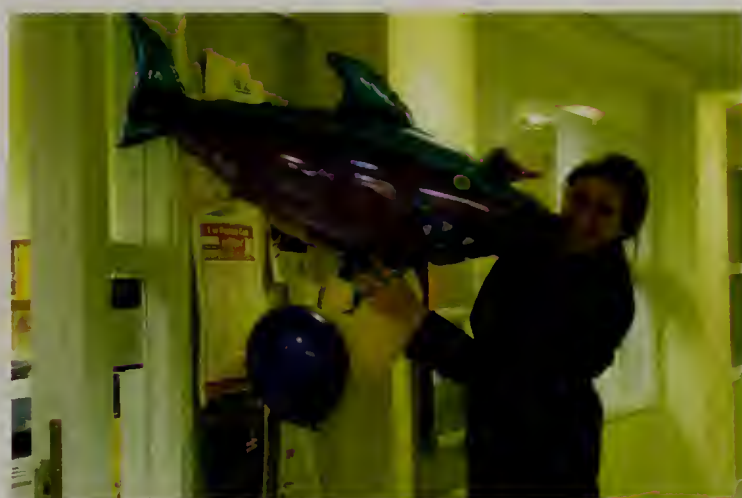




# Shark Week

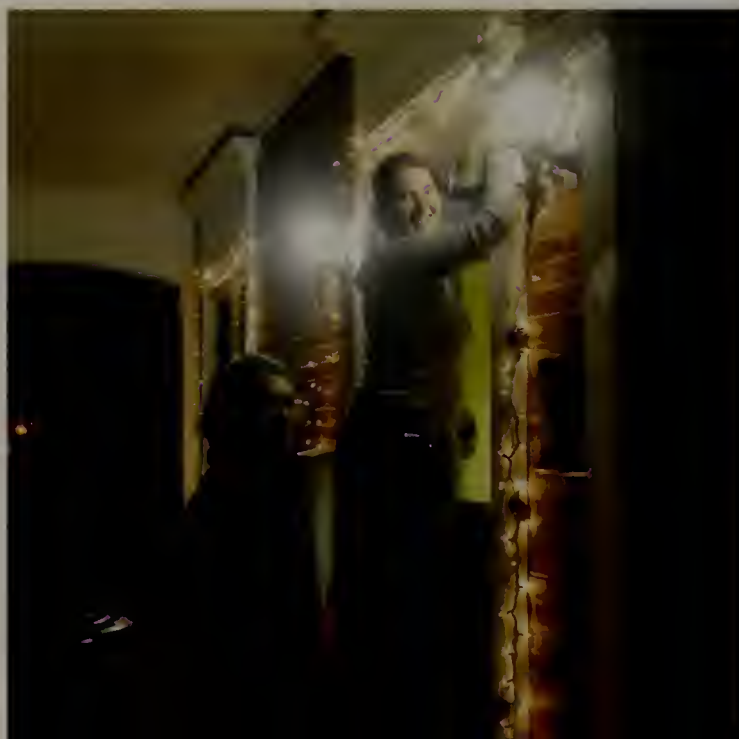


Shark Week is the annual event where Simmons students come together and display their Simmons pride. Some of the events included a cake decorating contest, shark crafts, the shark hunt, Simmons' colors day, shark snack attack, and the final event at Bartol, MYO Mini-Aquarium complete with your own pet goldfish.





# illumination celebration



The Residence Hall Association's Illumination Celebration turns the Simmons Quad into a magical place. Every residence hall decorates the front of their dorm with lights to spread cheer among the campus. The quad truly looked like a winter wonderland this year...minus the snow.



# winter wonderland



Winter Wonderland is a time to celebrate with friends during the holiday season, to eat cupcakes, and to see your professor dress up like Santa. The first-year class council sponsors this annual event each year.







# soiree



The Simmons Soiree was held at the John Joseph Moakley Courthouse is located in the heart of Boston's Seaport. It was a magical event sitting at the tables near the glass wall overlooking the sea. The food was fantastic, the music was great, and memories were made with friends.

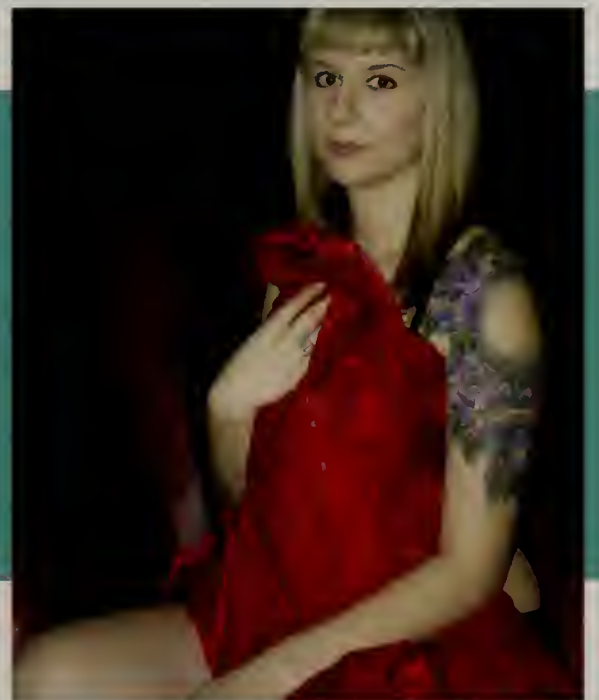




# the vagina monologues



"The monologues are extremely important for the Simmons community because they empower women to speak openly about their lives, experiences, and bodies -- something society encourages women not to do,"  
-Sarah Cyr-Mutty '12

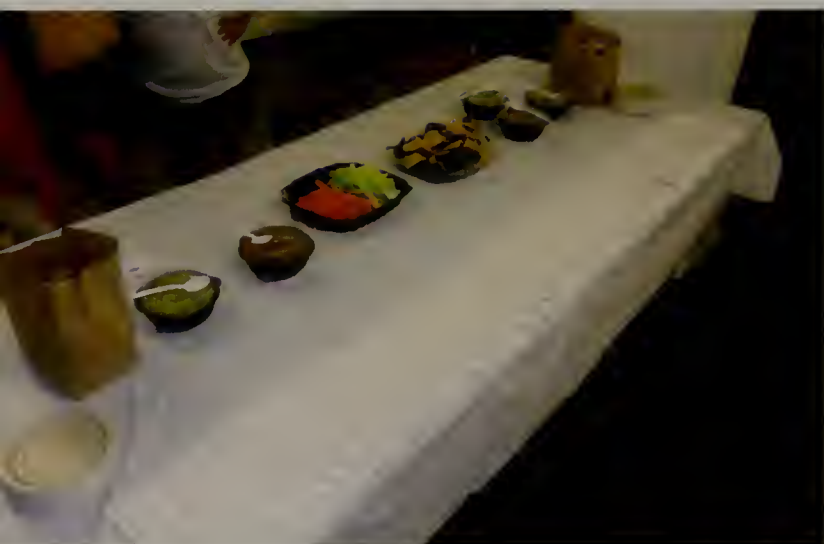


The Vagina Monologues is made up of a varying number of monologues read by a varying number of women. Every monologue somehow relates to the vagina, be it through sex, love, rape, menstruation, female genital mutilation, masturbation, birth, orgasm, the variety of names for the vagina, or simply as a physical aspect of the body. A recurring theme throughout the piece is the vagina as a tool of female empowerment, and the ultimate embodiment of individuality.





# class councils







Every year the class councils plan events for the school as a community. The Winter Wonderland dinner is one such event. Fun times are had by all at the events put on. Thanks class councils for foing a great job this year!



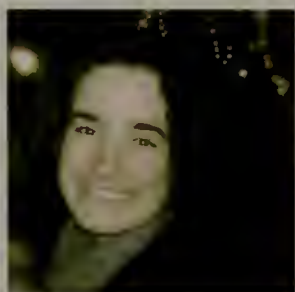


# SGA



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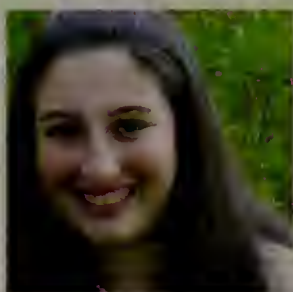
### Who's WHO IN SGA



Samantha Schenk is the President of SGA



Jackie Khan is the Treasurer of SGA

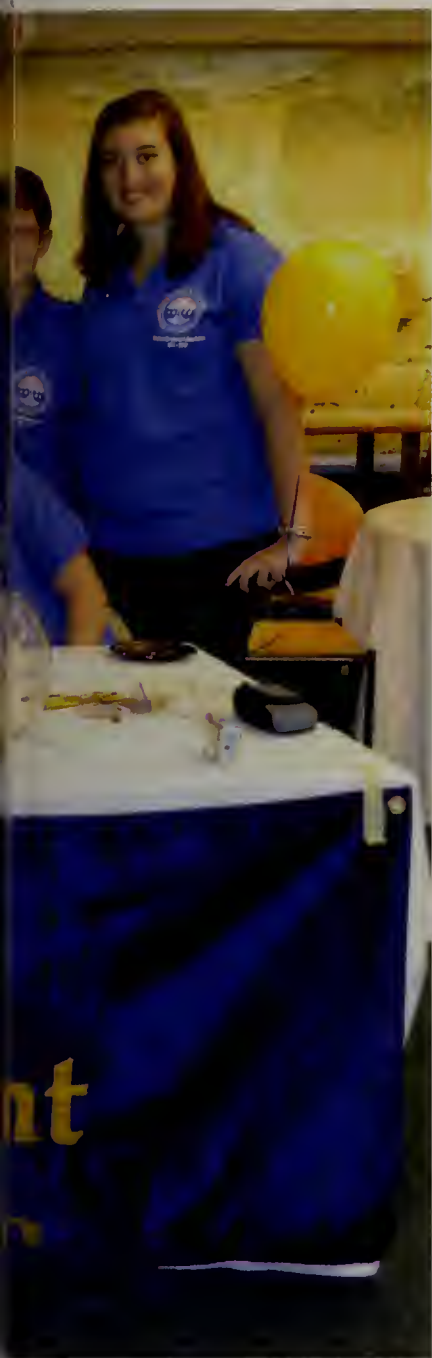


Molly Maidman is the Academic Affairs Officer



Priyal Goyal is the Secretary of SGA





# events



SGA represents the executive branch of the entire student body. The primary focus of SGA is to meet as a board regularly to discuss relevant bureaucratic matters within the student body as well as within the administration.



Anna Wolfson is the Like Minds Co-Chair

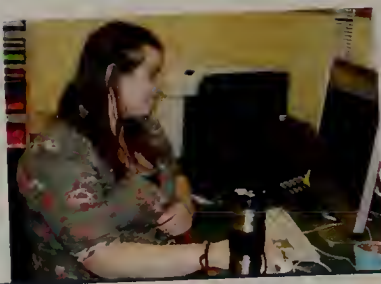


Sandy Lor is the Student Affairs Officer for SGA



Roxanne Groomer is the Vice President of SGA



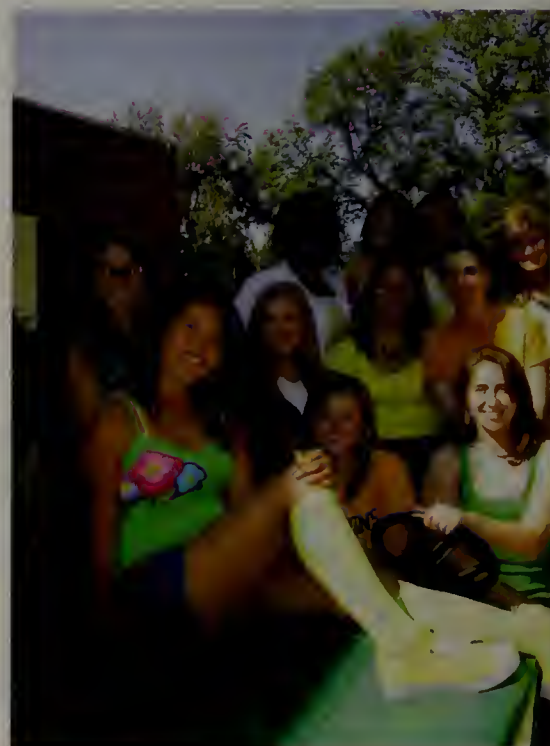


"I like working in the OSLA office because I get to know the school pretty well." - Laura Stopulkoski

# Resident Advisors



The Resident Advisors are our answer for most any problem that can occur on campus at Simmons. From that weird sound in your dorm room to floor snacks, they take care of it all.

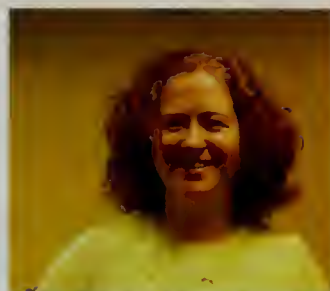




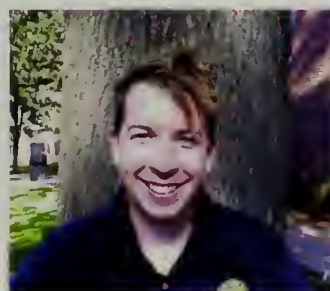
# OFFICE OF STUDENT LEADERSHIP AND ACTIVITIES

## meet the staff

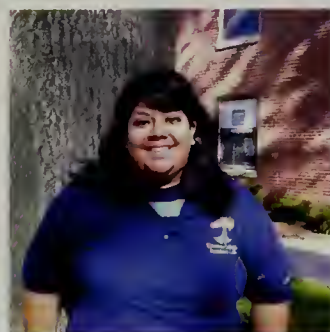
# OSLA



Susan Chudd is most known for being the director of OSLA. However, this is just one of her many positions. She coordinates Undergrad Orientation, the Emerging Leaders Program, and advises SGA and the Microcosm.



John O'Conner is a Campus Life Coordinator and Resident Director of North and South. Before joining the Simmons staff in 2010, he worked at Emmanuel and MCPHS as a Res Life staff member.



Julia Golden is a Campus Life Coordinator and the Resident Director of Smith and Evans. She received her undergrad degree for History and Sociology at UMass Dartmouth.



Tia Miller is both a Campus Life Coordinator and the RD of Simmons Hall. She started at Simmons in the summer of 2010, coming from three year's experience as an RD at Stonehill College.



The Office of Student Leadership and Activities organizes programs throughout the year to enrich the college experience by empowering students to take the lead in activities outside the classroom. OSLA organizes many programs such as the Emerging Leaders Program and New Student Orientation.

## student profiles



Abby Field works in the Office of Student Leadership and Activities. When asked what she thinks of her job her response was, "I like working here because I am able to interact with all of the student organizations and I know all about the events."

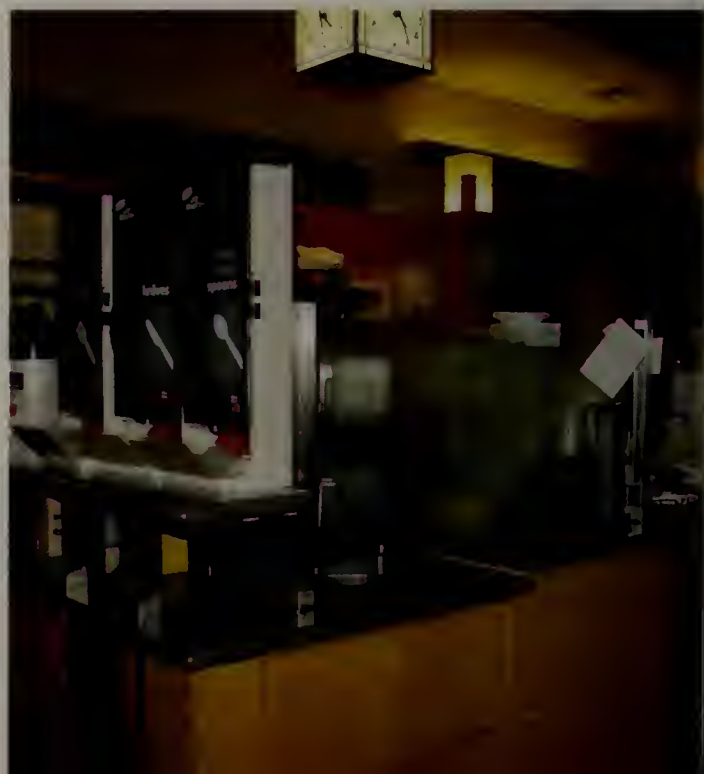




# eating & sleeping



The campus dining halls are where we eat breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Hours can be spent eating brunch on a Sunday afternoon. The lines for Stella's omelette's are always long, but everybody knows they are well worth the wait. Quadside, The Fens, Bartol, Java City, and Meyers are all great locations on campus to get a wrap or your afternoon caffeine.







South Hall



Mesick Hall



Morse Hall



Simmons Hall



North Hall



Dix Hall



Smith Hall



Arnold Hall



Evans Hall



The convenience of living on campus cannot be denied. All the amazing restaurants, shops, and the school within walking distance

makes the Simmons residence campus our own little hub in the middle of Boston!





COF



The Colleges of the Fenway are a consortium of colleges in the Fenway area. The consortium provides the colleges with dance projects, bands, intramurals, and events to bond the consortium together. Students can also cross register at any of the colleges involved.

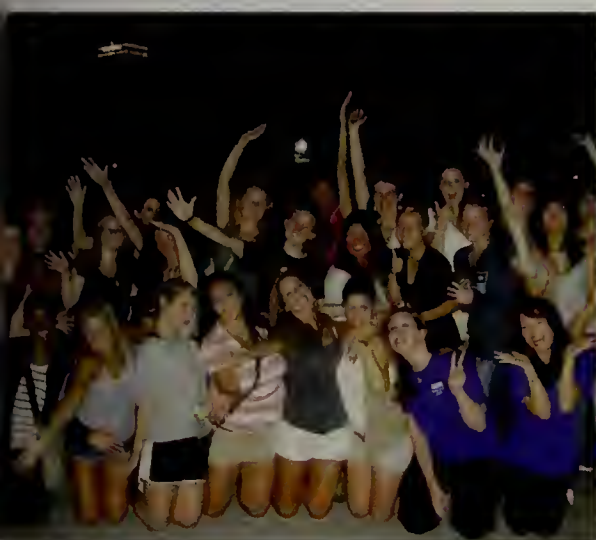




# Commuter Students



My name is Melissa Walter and am the current President of the Commuter Student Organization. I commute from Quincy, which is about 20 minutes by car and 45 min by public transportation. It is a goal of mine to bridge the gap between the resident and commuter student population in order to create a more inclusive community. I have experienced feeling excluded because of my status as a commuter student, it has been important to me that an



organization like this exists on campus, to provide a resource and be a support system to commuter students trying to find their way on campus. We have collaborated with many organizations in order to increase campus vibrancy by bringing these two groups of students together for events. Being so involved myself, as the president of CSO, as a former Orientation Leader and S101 Facilitator, and as an instructor of the RAD program with Public Safety on campus, I have served alongside my E-board members as proof that getting involved is possible and have been continuing to work toward getting all students as involved as possible.





One of the things I'm most inspired by is human emotion. I love to produce art that evokes an emotional reaction or societal realization. I think that the most important thing an artist can do is make someone think, feel, or open their eyes. When an artists realizes that they have the creative freedom to move others, the artist becomes empowered to do so.

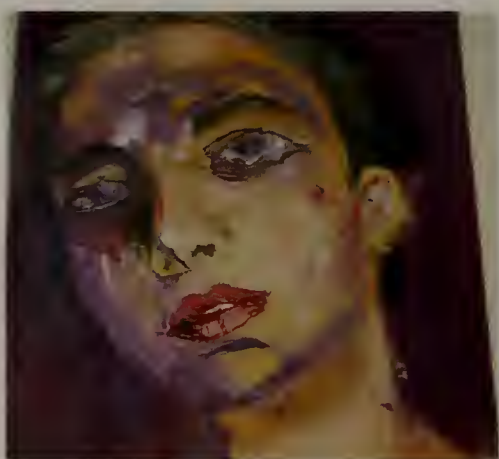
# student art



Every year in January beautiful paintings, drawings, prints, and photographs line the wall of the Trustman Art Gallery on the 4th floor of the Main College Building showcasing students' hard work.



## WHAT IS YOUR INSPIRATION?



"What always inspires me is the atmosphere of living in a city. Anytime I feel like I need new ideas the city has infinite options from museums, to architecture. Just taking a walk in the city always helps med to see the world differently and find something to photograph."  
-Ariella Brown



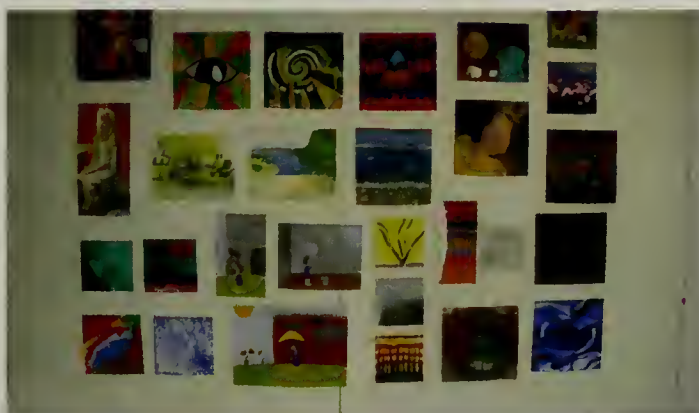




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moving



"A PICTURE IS  
A POEM  
WITHOUT  
WORDS" -HORACE



## TALENTED

Simmons students live in a great area for inspiration. Boston has so much beauty to be found from the CITGO Sign to the Charles, the Prudential Center to the North End. There is no end to the inspiration of this city.





ALLIANCE

The mission of the Art & Music Liasion is to enhance the Simmons Community with Art and Music events.

President: Yasmina Kamal  
 Vice President: Tarra Marino  
 Treasurer: Bridget Hudson  
 Secretary: Chelsea Verria  
 SGA Senator: Emma Brightbill

ART &amp; MUSIC LIASION



ASIAN STUDENT ASSOCIATION

The Biology Liaison is made up of students who share a passion for the study of biology. Their goal is to expose members to academic and career oppourtunities in biology. This club allows students to interact with their peers and the scientific community as Simmons.

President: Hannah Gilman  
 Vice President: Amanda Maffa  
 Treasurer: Kristie Eaton  
 SGA Senator: Hannah Gilman

BIOLOGY LIASION

# organizations



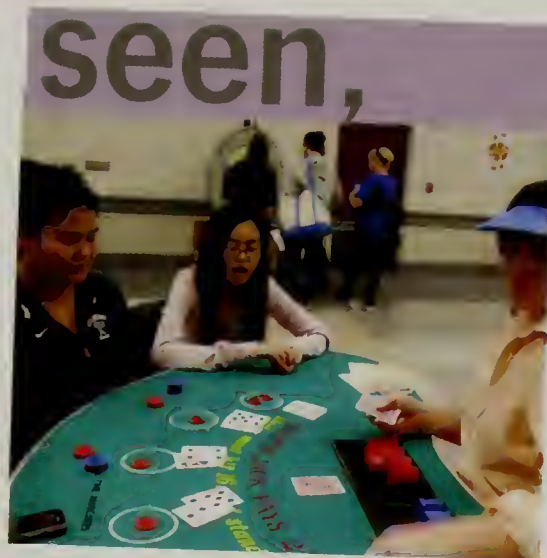
# ORGANIZATIONS A-C



BLACK STUDENT ORGANIZATION



CAMPUS ACTIVITIES BOARD



Playing casino games in Alumnae is a great way to spend a cold winter night.

**heard,**

A NIGHT AT ALUMNAE  
FOLLOWED UP BY SOME  
FOOD AT QUADSIDE-  
PERFECT

**noted,**

CAB plans some  
amazing events for the  
Simmons Community

**quoted.**

"Relaxing in the pool  
watching movies is a  
such a cool idea"



The Catholic Student Association is dedicated to fostering a sense of Catholic community on campus through worship, dialogue, and public service, in order to broaden the social, spiritual, and intellectual horizons of its members.

President: Meghan O'Beirne  
Vice President: Vanessa Poirier  
Treasurer: Meghan O'Beirne

CATHOLIC STUDENT ASSOCIATION



CHEMISTRY/PHYSICS LIASION



CEO



SIMMONS COLLEGE DANCE COMPANY



# ORGANIZATIONS C-E



ECONOMICS LIASION



ENGLISH LIASION

seen,



Representing Simmons at the  
Breast Cancer Awareness  
Walk

heard,

SCDC PUTS ON AMAZING  
SHOWS EVERY  
YEAR...ALWAYS WORTH IT

noted,

CEO brought Sierra Bender  
to campus for a great  
workshop this year!

quoted.

"Organizations are a  
great way to meet new  
people- there is  
something for  
everybody!"





GOSPEL CHOIR



HILLEL

The History Liaison is interested in the impact of history on our lives, preserving important historical traditions not only of Boston but of Simmons College, and publicizing the value of studying history.

President: Ingrid Yu  
 Vice President: Lauren Middleman  
 Treasurer: Amy Tai  
 Secretary: Anna Dubey  
 SGA Senator: Emme Rosenberg

HISTORY LIASION



HONORS LIASION



# ORGANIZATIONS G-L



SIMMONS ISLAMIC SOCIETY



LIKE MINDS COMMITTEE

**seen,**



Taking a break from the festivities with snacks.

**heard,**

THE GOSPEL CHOIR  
PRACTICES HARD AND  
PRODUCES RESULTS

**noted,**

Academic liaisons are  
great ways to further  
your academic interests

**quoted.**

"Like Minds fosters  
respect for everyone  
regardless of  
differences"





MICROCOSM



MODEL UN



NURSING ASSOCIATION



NUTRITION LIASION



# ORGANIZATIONS M-P



ORGANIZACION LATINO AMERICANA

The Psychology Liaison's purpose is to provide an ongoing flow of communication between faculty and students in the areas of curriculum, departmental policies, and psychology oriented activities within the community.

Treasurer: Natasha Naim  
SGA Senator: Melissa Hanan

PSYCHOLOGY LIASION

seen,



Amnesty International

heard,

MODEL UN ADVANCES  
UNDERSTANDING OF THE  
UNITED NATIONS

noted,

The Nutrition Liaison  
educates the student body  
on all aspects of health

quoted.

"I made some of my best  
friends through clubs."





RHA



ROOTED IN LOVE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP



SCIENCE FICTION &amp; FANTASY CLUB

Sidelines, the Simmons College Literary and Art Magazine, is an annual magazine published to showcase the talent and creativity of the Simmons student body.

Editor in Chief: Megan Rinker, Kalie Wilkerson

SIDELINES MAGAZINE



# ORGANIZATIONS R-S



THE SIRENS



SIMMONS VOICE

**seen.**



Simmons Sirens wow with other a capella groups at their Spring Concert

**heard,**

THE SIMMONS VOICE REPORTS  
ON ALL EVENTS AND  
INFORMATION PERTAINING TO  
SIMMONS

**noted,**

Sidelines is a great way  
to display your  
creativity!

**quoted.**

"I love joining clubs at  
Simmons, it helps me  
stay active"





THE SEXUALITY, WOMEN'S, AND GENDER  
CENTER







**seen,**



Honors Liaison takes an excursion

**heard,**

CONGRATS TO SWAG ON  
THE AMAZING JOB WITH  
VAGINA MONOLOGUES

**noted,**

The Women's Center  
got a name change and  
are SWAG now

**quoted.**

"Simmons students are  
constantly innovating,  
which is what makes the  
organizations so  
amazing"

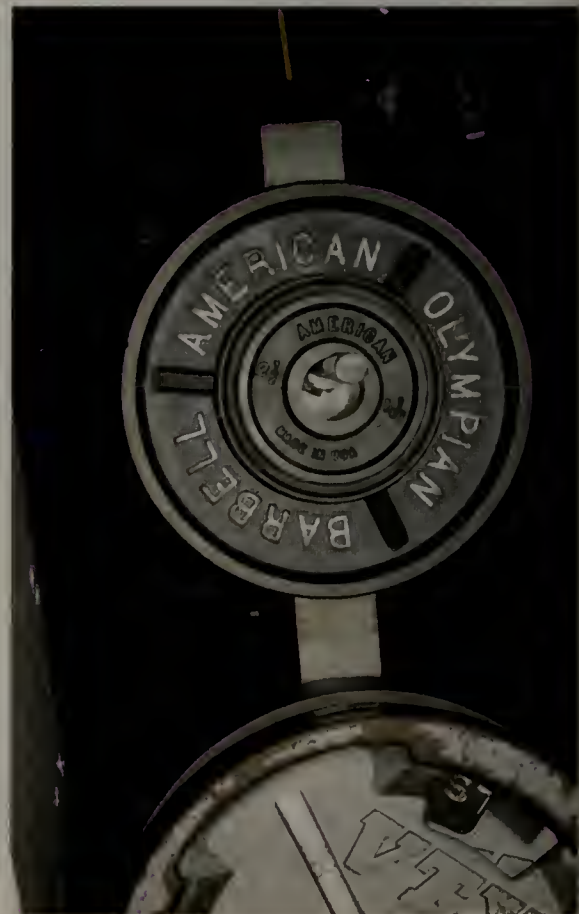
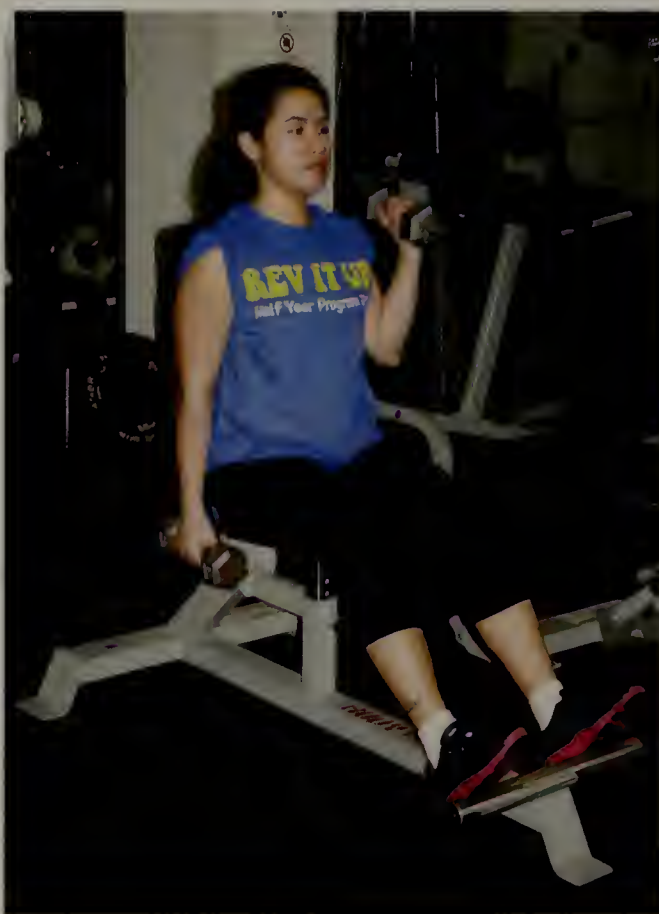


# holmes sports



## "SWEAT IT OUT"

The gym is where we go to work out, to de-stress, and to have fun. Not only does the gym offer weight rooms, squash courts, ellipticals, and treadmills, but also LEAP classes. Zumba, Spinning, Cardio Kick, and Yoga are offered. It is a fun way to work out and get your heart pumping!






# center



**LEAP**  
 Life Exercise & Activity Program

**What is LEAP?**  
 The program mission is to provide the opportunities and education needed for students, faculty, staff and alumnae to develop lifestyles of physical fitness and health. LEAP offers a range of classes including traditional study of Yoga, emerging fitness disciplines, Spinning and dance options.

For course descriptions, class schedules & online registration visit: [www.simmons.edu](http://www.simmons.edu)  
 Find us on facebook: "Simmons LEAP"








Jessica Thomas, Leah Davis, Shae Riley,  
Hannah May, Liz O'Connor, Alex Acloque,  
Brittany Dolloff, Olivia LaCroix, Erica  
Rowden, Georgia Kostopoulos

Captains: Alex Acloque, Jessica Thomas, Brittany Dolloff



## scoreboard

Record Overall: 4-20, GNAC: 1-12

at Gordon L, 55-46;

at Castleton Tip-Off Tournament L, 81-53;

at Castleton Tip-Off Tournament L, 53-39;

at Clark L, 71-44;

Wentworth W, 53-50;

Fitchburg State L, 68-48;

UMass Dartmouth L, 68-38;

at MITL, 69-65;

Mount Holyoke L, 55-33;

at Lesley W, 76-34;

at Mount Ida\*L, 69-57;

Johnson and Wales\*L, 56-49;

Saint Joseph Conn.\*L, 77-64;

at Anna Maria\* W, 63-58;

Suffolk\* L, 54-41;

at Lasell\* L, 56-50;

Saint Joseph's Maine\* L, 72-38;

at Emmanuel\* L, 69-56;

Albertus Magnus\* L, 68-49;

at Rivier\* L, 72-56;

at Norwich\* L, 68-65;

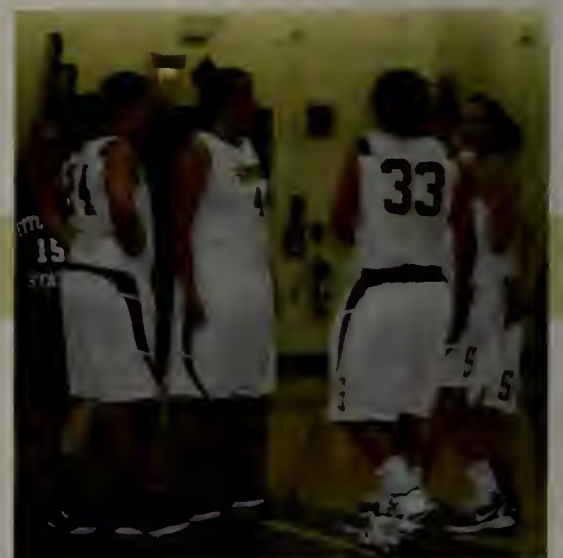
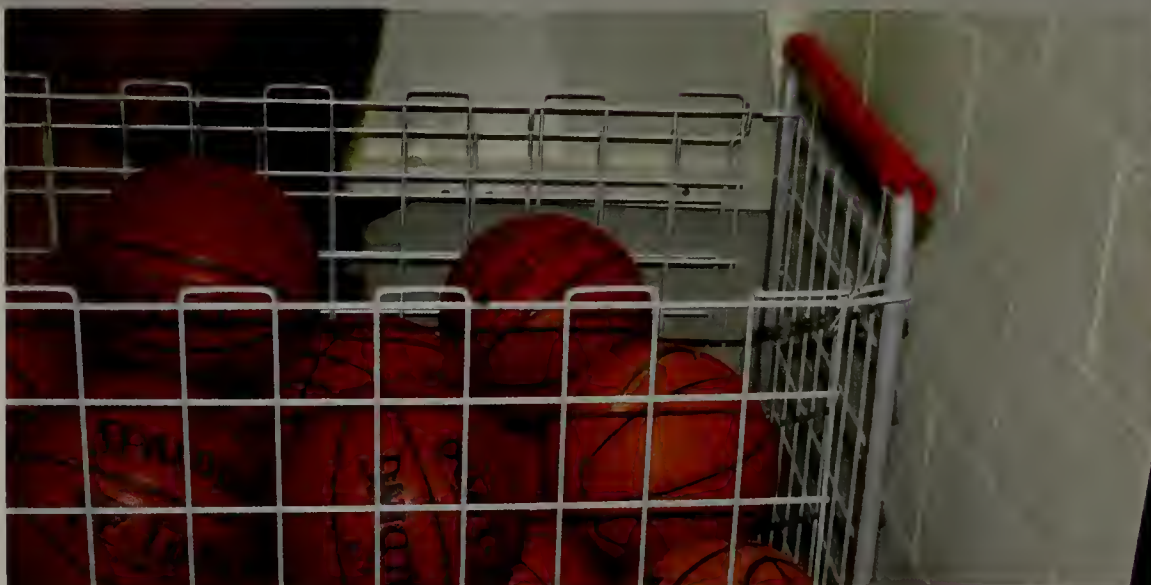
Emerson\* L, 63-51;

Fisher W, 93-24;

at Pine Manor\* L, 65-63;



# basketball







# scoreboard

Textile River Regatta  
 New Hampshire Championships  
 Head of the Charles Regatta  
 Head of the Charles Regatta  
 Seven Sisters Regatta  
 Florida Tech  
 Tufts, Mount Holyoke, Vermont  
 Holy Cross  
 Donahue Cup  
 Clark Invitational-- Clark, Mount  
 Holyoke, Franklin & Marshall  
 MIT Lightweights, Buffalo  
 Lightweights  
 Malden River Spirit Regatta  
 New England Rowing Championships  
 ECAC Nional Invitational Regatta  
 \*see website for results

# crew



Katelyn Allen, Anastasia Arena, Emily Belanger, Andrea Breen, Rebecca Brown, Alison Carr, Mary Commisso, Nina Culver, Chloe Davis, Jess Dowler, Colleen DuBois, Farah Etienne, Bre Glynn, Sydney Goldstein, Christine Gronberg, Emily Hagens, Kate Hale, Sarah Herman, Laura Jungreis, Alexandra Kruzel, Lauren Lane, Laura Matt, Taylor Nealand, Audrey Purcell, Cindy Reynolds, Anna Rowse, Hannah Russell, Emily Smalheiser, Anisa Swei, Emily Vansteenbergen, Hannah Vaux, Aris Walker, Jane Walsh, Eva Weber



crew comes in second at the 7 sisters regatta







## scoreboard

Elms and Gordon, W 96-30  
 (Elms), 69-58 (Gordon)  
 New England, L 150-121  
 Wellesley, L 218-77  
 Babson, L 152-118  
 GNAC, W  
 Mt. Holyoke, L 154-137  
 UMass Dartmouth, W 128-97  
 Regis, W 150-102  
 Saint Joseph's Maine, W  
 166-87  
 Westfield State, W 150-144  
 WNEC, W 173-89  
 Plymouth State, W 148.5-131.5

\* The season was still in progress at the time of publication

Stephanie Bitzas, Molly Bohannon,  
 Lila Callaghan, Jen Collins, Amy  
 Davis, Chloe Davis, Joleigh Ferro,  
 Elise Grover, Anne Karasek,  
 Whitney Leonard, Lea Monahan,  
 Rachael Mullen, Suzie Quinlan,  
 Amelia Scheck, Kara Silva, Andree  
 Sime, Marissa Soucy, Meredith  
 Williams, Hillary Wong, Liz  
 Zamagni

Captains: Suzie Quinlan  
 and Steph Bitzas







Allison Bodek, Spenser Bowers, Rosanna Driscoll, Kristi Mielbye, Julie Ngo, Heather Rotti, Sabrina Salmela, Andréé Simé, Margaret Teague, Rachel Sweeney

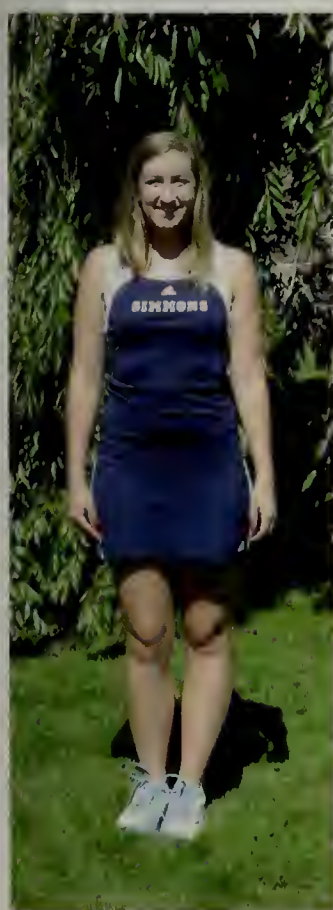


# tennis

## scoreboard

Wheaton, L 9-0  
Wesleyan, L 6-3  
Brandeis, L 9-0  
Mt. Holyoke, W 5-4  
St. Joseph Conn., W 9-0

Mt. Ida, W 9-0  
Emerson, W 6-3  
Emmanuel, W 8-1  
Johnson and Wales, W 7-2  
Suffolk, W 8-1  
Albertus Magnus, W 9  
Colby, W 7-2  
Anna Maria, W 9-0  
Johnson & Wales, W 5-0  
GNAC Championship, W 6-3  
Clark  
Babson  
MIT  
Springfield  
Endicott  
NCAA Tournament



Captain: Sabrina Salmela





Despite a strong start to their season, Simmons Sharks were edged out in the GNAC Quarterfinals by number 2 seed Saint Joseph's. The Sharks did see Captain Katelyn Tighe named to the GNAC Second Team, after three very successful years playing Simmons field hockey.

Captains: Katelyn Tighe, Sasha Reilly, and Lee Sutherland



# field hockey



## scoreboard

Overall Record: 9-11

North Atlantic Conference: 4-5

Western New England W, 4-3

Wheelock W, 6-0

MIT L, 6-0

Salve Regina W, 2-1 OT

Regis W, 8-1

Saint Joseph's Maine\*\* L, 3-2

Wheaton L, 3-1

Bay Path W, 4-2

Maine-Farmington\*\* L, 1-0

Thomas\*\* L, 3-2

Smith L, 4-0

New England\*\* L, 1-0

Rivier\*\* W, 9-4

Colby-Sawyer\*\* W, 4-2

Mount Holyoke L, 7-1

Husson\*\* W, 7-6

Castleton\*\* L, 6-3

Lasell\*\* W, 4-2

WPI, 2-0

Saint Joseph's College of Maine

L, 3-1

\*\*North Atlantic Conference

Game



Kelly Fisher, Caroline Bishop, Kelly Williamson, Sasha Reilly, Carena Wong, Avery Hines, Monica Doucette, Lee Sutherland, Courtney Cappadona, Aslyn Dindorf, Courtney St. Pierre, Meghan Fay, Mercedes Godin, Seneca Martensson, Katelyn Tighe, Renna Smith





The soccer team had four players named to the GNAC All-Conference Team, Justine Beauchamp was named to the first team for the second year. Katie McCarthy was named to the second team. Desh Perera and Ashley Wheeler were named to the All-Conference third team. The Sharks ended the season with a hard fought game that ended in a loss for Simmons against Albertus Magnus in the Great Northeast Atlantic Conference Quarterfinals.



Captains:  
Ashley Wheeler and  
Justine Beauchamp

CJ Trevenen, Ashley Wheeler, Michaela Schiling, Carolyn Berndt, Mandy Walke, Justine Beauchamp, Kaitlyn Turmelle, Melissa Ann Rowe, Jennifer Prescott, Wellie Antonellis, Desh Perera, Kristin Bombard, Jennie Holloway, Erin Mannion, Keri Acheson, Chelsea Hersey, Kristin Moccia, Kristyn Heuslein, Paige Wilcox, Katie McCarthy, Meredith Riker, Ally Ayotte, Alma-Lynn Dupont, Alie Hill



# soccer

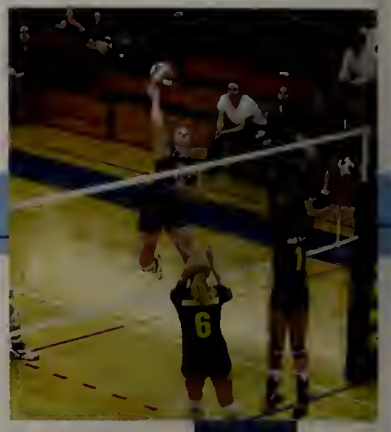
## scoreboard

Overall Record: 7-4-3  
Great Northeast Athletic  
Conference: 6-4-2

MIT L, 3-1	Mount Ida W, 4-0
WNEC W, 4-2	Emerson W, 2-0
Rensselaer Classic vs. RPI L, 4-2	Johnson and Wales W, 1-0
Rensselaer Classic vs. Union L, 3-0	Wellesley T, 0-0
Anna Maria W, 8-0	Albertus Magnus L, 2-1
Saint Joseph Conn. L, 1-0	*Great Northeast Athletic
Albertus Magnus L, 2-1	Conference Game
Rivier W, 1-0	
Saint Joseph's Maine L, 3-2	
Lasell L, 4-0	
Norwich T, 1-1	
Emmanuel W, 2-0	
Pine Manor W, 1-0	
Suffolk T, 0-0	







# volleyball

Kina Wilbur Kamien, Kelly Last, Kate Fionte, Nafeesa Connolly, Megan Chamberlin, Caroline Boyd, Piso Mohlala, Meaghan Flynn, Sandy Lor, Taylor Nisbet, Rossi Fish, Morgan Powell, Krista Evans, Rachel Dufault

Captains: Morgan Powell, Rachel Dufault, Kate Fionte



## scoreboard



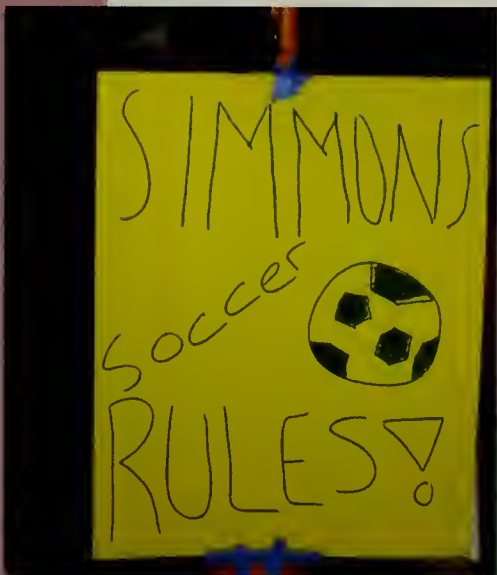
Record Overall: 20-10  
Great Northeast Athletic Conference 9-4

Bay Path W, 3-0  
Bay Path W, 3-0  
Gordon College L, 3-2  
Framingham State College W, 3-0  
Newbury W, 3-0  
Norwich\* W, 3-2  
Suffolk\* W, 3-0  
Massachusetts Maritime W, 3-0  
MIT L, 3-1  
Clark W, 3-2  
Bridgewater State W, 3-0  
Albertus Magnus\* W, 3-0  
Anna Maria\* W, 3-0

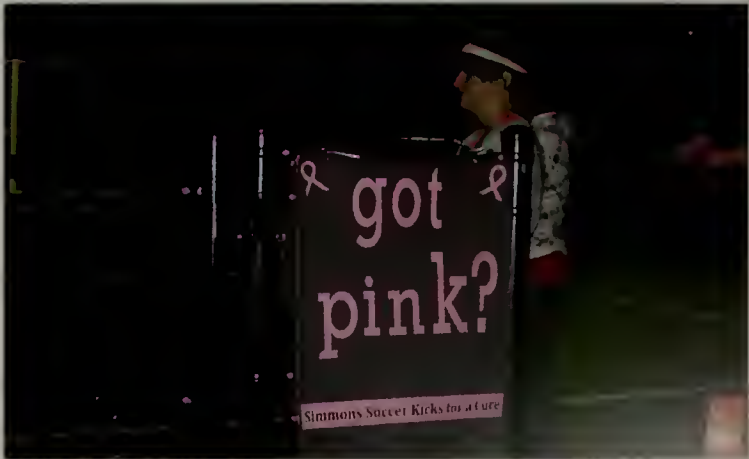
UMass Dartmouth L, 3-2  
Southern Vermont L, 3-0  
Lasell\* W, 3-0  
Saint Joseph's Maine\* W, 3-0  
Worcester State W, 3-1  
Regis W, 3-0  
Emerson\* L, 3-0  
Eastern Nazarene W, 3-1  
Emmanuel\* L, 3-1  
Colby-Sawyer L, 3-0  
Mount Ida\* W, 3-2  
Rivier\* L, 3-1  
Pine Manor\* W, 3-1  
Johnson and Wales\* L, 3-1  
St. Joseph CT W, 3-0  
Norwich W, 3-2  
Emerson L, 3-1





















# Seniors

**Y**ou did it! Congratulations! Four years at Simmons have gone and your hard work and perserverance has paid off! You are graduating! You are entering the work world and will be putting your knowledge and learning to the test. Don't worry and don't be scared. You are well prepared for this. The faculty and staff at Simmons and your hard work have made sure of that. You are ready to take your place in the world and make a difference. You have a support system here at Simmons and never forget that you are strong and powerful! You can do absolutely anything as long as you can dream it. You already have all the tools to make your dreams come true. From all of us here at Simmons, we wish you luck and believe in you!



# class of

# 2012



## MISSION:

The purpose of the Class of 2012 is to plan events and activities that benefit students in the class of 2012 and the entire Simmons Community. They plan events for the Senior Class, most notably, Senior Week Activities.



## student profiles

### CONGRATS

Congratulations to the class of 2012! In order to congratulate the seniors the class of 2012 plans events to enjoy their senior year. From a trip to Foxwoods and mixers, and cruises to field trips there are so many fun things to be involved with.

### EVENTS:

Madewell Private Shopping Party with Simmons College Seniors

Spa Nights for all students

Senior Faculty Toast

Sierra Bender Day of Empowerment Workshop (Co-sponsored with CEO)

50 Days Trip to Foxwoods Casino

Senior Faculty Banquet

and . . . .

SENIOR WEEK!



Andrea Varrasso is the President of the Class of 2012.



Krista Evans is the secretary for the Class of 2012



The Vice President of the Class of 2012 is Elizabeth Balzano.



The treasurer of the Class of 012 is Alexandra Hakim



# seniors

## class of 2012



Nahid Abhar



Alexandrah  
Acloque



Alanoud Al Saud



Salima Al-Alwi



Olga Alarcon



Caliroy Alepede



Rhodothea Alepede



Ankhzaya  
Ariunbold



Minni Shreya  
Arumugam



Elizabeth Atkins



Kerein Barrera



Otatade Bello





Elizabeth Bellofatto



Denise Benson



Laura Biren



Stephanie Bitzas



Rachel Bograd



Erinn Boon



Stacey Bottex



Laura Brenner



Gisela Renata  
Bryan



Candice Byers



Bethsaida Cadet



Heather Campos



# seniors

## class of 2012



Elizabeth Caron



Jenna Catrombone



Connie Chan



Amy Charlton



Jennifer Charness



Alana Clark



Amanda Clukey



Samantha Cohen



Maria Costigan



Amanda Craig



Sarah Cyr-Mutty



Anna D'Avanzo



## SHARE YOUR SENIOR STORYLINE

*"There were many reasons why I ultimately decided to come to Simmons over other institutions, but it was the personalization that first hooked me. When I got my acceptance packet in the mail there was a letter that told me why I was wanted as part of the Simmons community, including what was mentioned in my application, essays, and letters of recommendation. I was so impressed that not only had Simmons read my application, but they took the time to write me back such a thoughtful response".*

*-Carolyn Noyes*



Elizabeth Dahlgren



Alexandra Daum



Caitlin Davis



Samantha Decotes



Erika Del Rosario



Giovanna Depaula-Santos



Jessica Deres



Bianca Dichiaro



# seniors

## class of 2012



Paige Dimambro



Madeline Eagan



Marie Etienne



Krista Evans



Kelly Fanning



Katherine Fionte



Kristie Flaherty



Kellianne  
Flanagan



Lauren Fleming



Kayla Fleurent



Meaghan Flynn



Tammy Ford





Rebecca Freer



Kelly Garrity



Hannah Gilman



Hillary Gluskin



Chelsea Gordon



Karen Goudreau



Caroline Grainger



Vanessa Greene



Sara Hanna



Kathleen Harrell



Megan Heber



Jacqueline  
Hernandez



# seniors

## class of 2012



Chelsea Hersey



Ashley Hiniker



Samantha  
Hodgkins



Oksana Hradyska



Stephanie Hunt



Lauren Hutchinson



Emily Huynh



Tatiana Johnson



Jillian Jones



Beatriz Jorge Iun



Juliana Joseph



Sairah Joseph



## SHARE YOUR SENIOR STORYLINE

*"Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you have imagined".*

*-Henry David Thoreau*



Jacquelyn Kahn



Abby Kallgren



Maria Kaplaukhova



Sonja Kay



Anuja KC



Brina Kelly



Elizabeth Kinney



Gabrielle Krach



# seniors

## class of 2012



Fiona La



Deana Lafauci



Claire Laprade



Katherine  
Lauretano



Victoria Lee



Whitney Leonard



Caroline Lew



Athena Lynch



Peregrine  
Macdonald



Molly Mackay



Amanda Maffa



Stephanie  
Magalhaes



## SHARE YOUR SENIOR STORYLINE

*"I chose Simmons College because I have a passion for institutions that support women. Once I stepped on campus I knew it was a college filled with a strong, intelligent, and driven student body and faculty. It has been a positive community for me to grow into an independent women. I have made many friends and connections I will never forget".*

*- Meghan McCabe*



Tania Martins



Stephanie McBain



Meghan McCabe



Megan McDonnell



Katharine  
McGraves-Lloyd



Maura McKenna



Amanda  
McLaughlin



Mikaela McSherry



# seniors

## class of 2012



Camille Mell-Williams



Catherine Mezynski



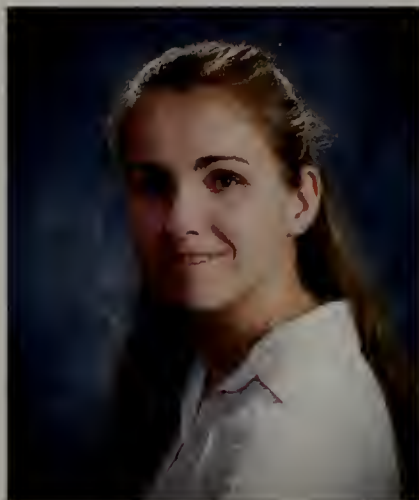
Emily Michalakes



Sarah Mileikis



Caitlin Millett



Tanja Milojevic



Kathryn Mitchell



Kyle Montgomery-Murphy



Christine Morrissey



Sarah Morse



Cara Mucci



Lauren Mosca



## SHARE YOUR SENIOR STORYLINE

*"Do not follow where the path may lead.  
Go instead where there is no path  
and leave a trail".*

*-Harold R. McAlindon*



Kristen Naczi



Lyndsey Nadeau



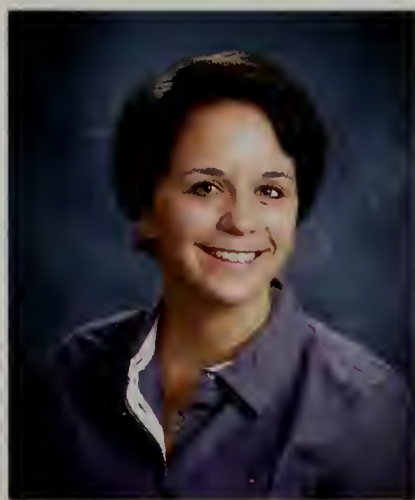
Natasha Naim



Hanah Nasri



Rachel Nelson



Emese Nemeth



Mimi Nguyen



Anastasia Nicolaou



# seniors

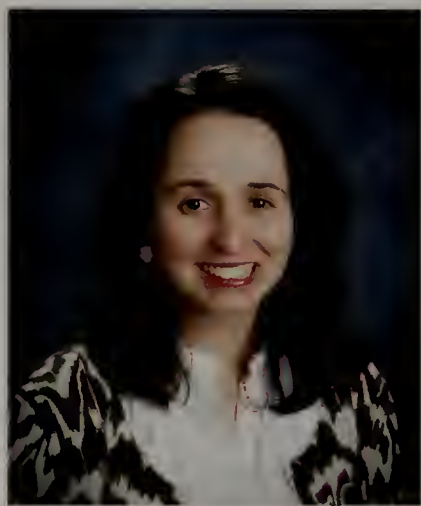
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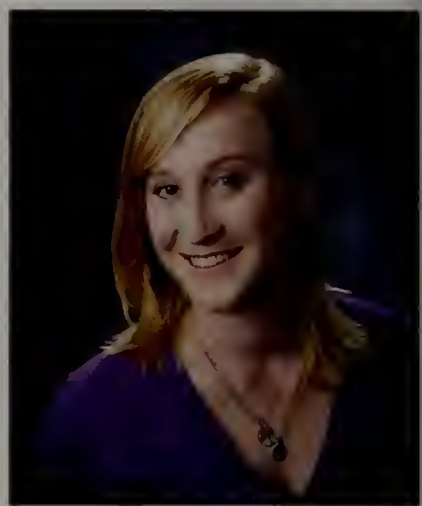
Naoko Nishikawa



Carolyn Noyes



Meghan O'Beirne



Hilary O'Connell



Kate O'neil



Elizabeth Olney



Jieyu Ou



Zakiya Owens-  
Ervin



Joana Paolino



Puja Patel



Alyssa Peters



Melissa Pettini



## SHARE YOUR SENIOR STORYLINE

*As a 'non-traditional student' going back to school after 25+ years, I chose Simmons College because of the Dix Scholar Program. As excited as I was to have the opportunity to further my education, it was also very daunting. Because of the Dix Scholar Program, I was able to take this huge step as the inspiration of having people around me the same age and common interests eased my anxiety.*

*Simmons College was the perfect choice for me, not only because of the Dix Scholar Program, but the for the excellence of its' professional teaching staff, untarnished reputation and diversification.*

*Thank you Simmons!*

*Paula R. Bright*



Linh Pham



Melinda Pinto



Anna Pozharny



Susannah Quinlan



Leslie Ramirez



Sharon Ramot



Kayley Rees



Alexandra Reilly



# seniors

## class of 2012



Sandra Ribas



Megan Rinker



Hannah Rittershaus



Alyssa Rizzo



Cortney Robillard



Rebecca Rocheleau



Jillian Ruddock



Mikaela Sandhoff



Jessica Sanieoff



Samantha Schenk



Fiara Sealy



Katherine  
Senneville



## SHARE YOUR SENIOR STORYLINE

*"I chose Simmons because when I visited campus it felt like home. The community was friendly, faculty seemed to truly care about me as an individual, students wanted to be engaged and were excited about the opportunities they were given, the academics were rigorous and would help me grow as an academic and prepare me for my future, and the campus was beautiful. When I walked into 300 The Fenway, I could see myself living here for the next four years growing into the person I had always wanted to become and being able to succeed".*

*-Samantha Schenk*



Rita Shah



Emily Shalhoob



Jenalee Shepherd-Morse



Sayaka Shishido



Emily Simon



Edina Skaljc



Dana Smith



Sara Smith



# seniors

class of 2012



Kathryn Snell



Monica Souza



Sara Stankiewicz



Whitney Stanley



Olivia Stevens



Alexandra Strakus



Shi Su



Laura Surprenant



Seimith Suth



Lee Sutherland



Margaret Taylor



Katrina Thistle



# SHARE YOUR SENIOR STORYLINE

*"Shoot for the moon. Even if you miss, you'll land among the stars".*

*~Les Brown*



Jessica Thomas



Avitree Tobarran



Annie Tran



Suzanne Tremblay



Melissa Trieu



Anh Truong



Lindsay Twohig



Sarah Vaccaro



# seniors

## class of 2012



Taylor  
Vanderwoude



Andrea Varrasso



Katelyn  
Vasconcelos



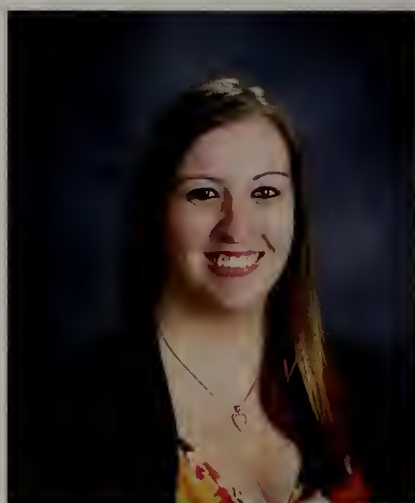
Briana Vittorini



Amanda Walke



Rebecca Walmer



Melissa Walter



Jacqueline  
Weinand



Yao Wen



Ashley Wheeler



Lindsay Winkler



Megan Winslow



## SHARE YOUR SENIOR STORYLINE

*"Graduation is a time of completion, of finishing, of an ending, however, it is also a time of celebration of achievement and a beginning for the new graduate".  
Congratulations!*

-Catherine Pulsifer



Rubby Wuabu



Nicole Young



Lucille Yu



Ashley Zahlaway



Jessica Zou

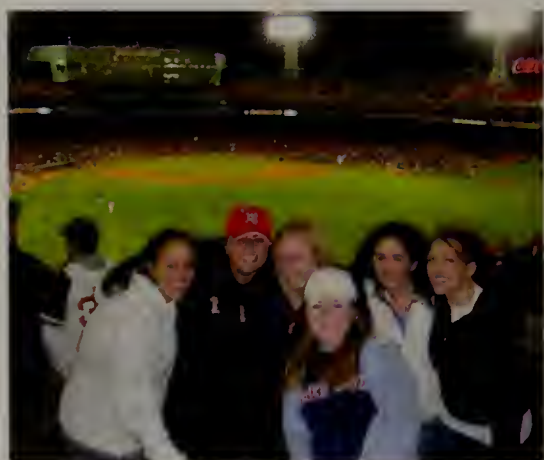




# seniors



"CONGRATS  
SENIORS!"







you  
made it!

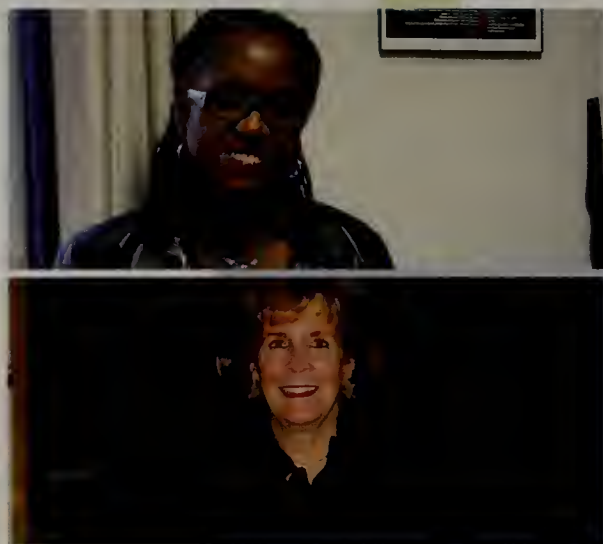


These photos were all  
submitted to ReplayIt.  
Thank you to the Seniors  
who submitted photos!





# remember when...



the new deans had their investitures?

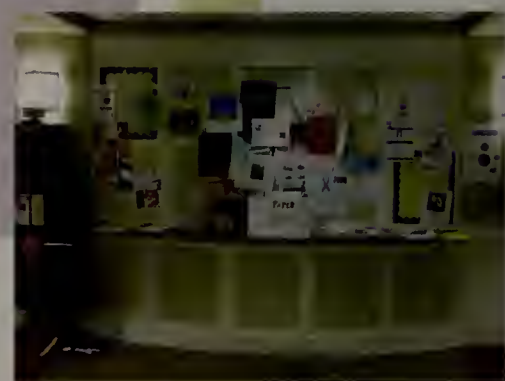
we didn't have school for a month because of snow?



there was the old Box Office in the Student Activities Center!?



Stormy didn't have a name?



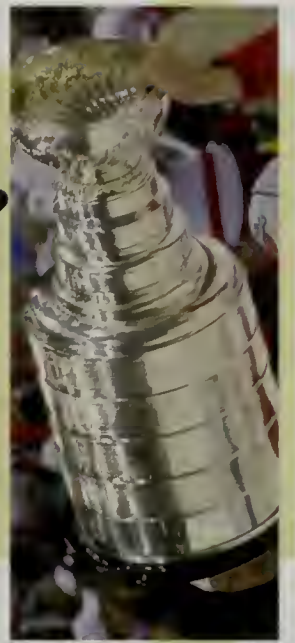
we got Starbucks at Myers!?





**cross country  
became a  
varsity sport!?**

**the Bruins won  
the Stanley Cup!?**



**when they changed  
the dining hours?**

**the Sports Pride Floor,  
Foodie Floor, and the  
Arts and Crafts Floor  
were created!?**

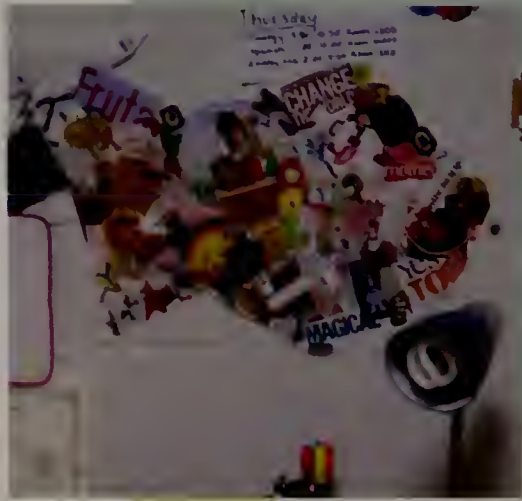
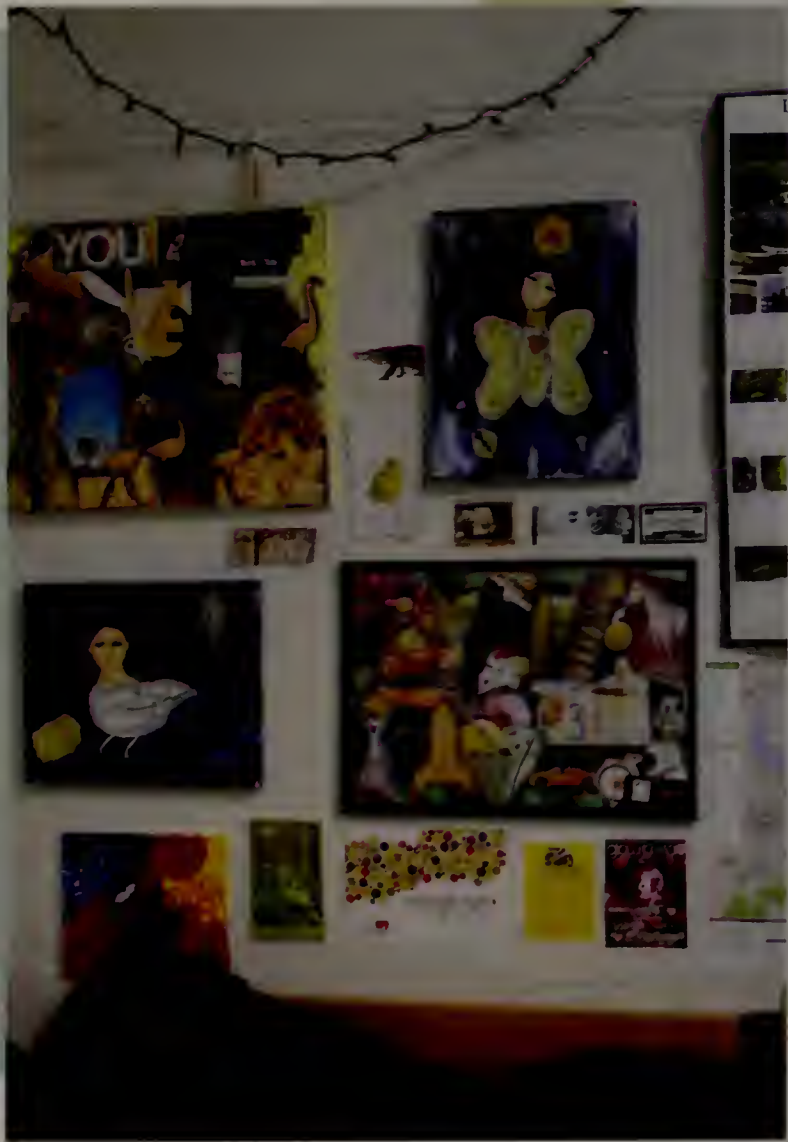
**Obama was  
elected  
president!?**



**the new managment  
building was opened?**



# decorating







the halls





# THE IT GETS BETTER PROJECT COMES TO SIMMONS

## the project

In September 2010, syndicated columnist and author Dan Savage created a YouTube video with his partner Terry Miller to inspire hope for young people facing harassment. In response to a number of students taking their own lives after being bullied in school, they wanted to create a personal way for supporters everywhere to tell LGBT youth that, yes, it does indeed get better.

More than a year later, the It Gets Better Project™ has turned into a worldwide movement, inspiring more than 30,000 user-created videos viewed more than 40 million times. To date, the project has received submissions from celebrities, organizations, activists, politicians and media personalities, including President Barack Obama, Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, Rep. Nancy Pelosi, Adam Lambert, Anne Hathaway, Colin Farrell, Matthew Morrison of "Glee", Joe Jonas, Joel Madden, Ke\$ha, Sarah Silverman, Tim Gunn, Ellen DeGeneres, Suze Orman, the staffs of The Gap, Google, Facebook, Pixar, the Broadway community, and many more. For us, every video changes a life. It doesn't matter who makes it.

ItGetsBetter.org is a place where young people who are lesbian, gay, bi, or trans can see how love and happiness can be a reality in their future. It's a place where our straight allies can visit and support their friends and family members. It's a place where people can share their stories, take the It Gets Better Project pledge and watch videos of love and support.



Photos courtesy of  
Simmons It Gets Better







"I got involved with 'It Gets Better' because I was familiar with Dan Savage's campaign and knew how powerful it was. I wanted to bring something similar to the Simmons community. The first meeting was what really encouraged me to stay on board with the project.

There was the best mix of faculty, staff, and students that I had ever seen at a meeting. Knowing that we were all interested in the same cause made this gathering that much more powerful, and I knew I wanted to be involved in any way I could.

The project took off right as the Spring semester started. There was a lot of momentum from all the filming that had happened even before the first day of classes, and energy was high. As a member of the Internal Communications sub-committee, I helped with tabling and the picture campaign. I also prepared a few informational questions and answers to hand out at the table that focused on practical ways to make it better in the present moment. Going forward, we'll be rebuilding the energy for the launch."

-Casee Amore



# take the pledge

Everyone deserves to be respected for who they are. I pledge to spread this message to my friends, family and neighbors. I'll speak up against hate and intolerance whenever I see it, at school and at work. I'll provide hope for lesbian, gay, bi, trans and other bullied teens by letting them know that "It Gets Better."

sign the pledge online at <http://www.itgetsbetter.org/pledge>

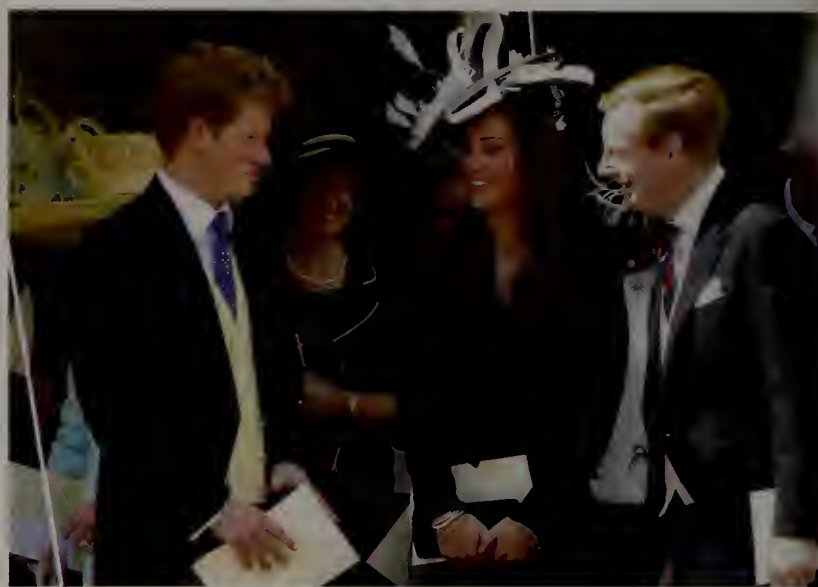
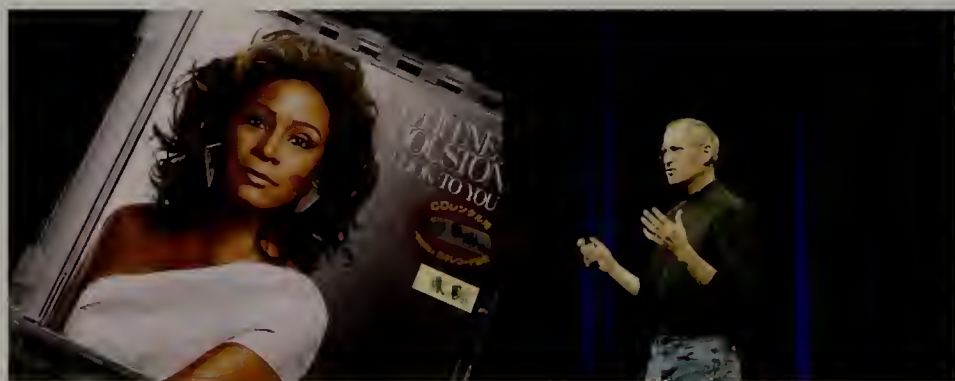


# What's Poppin'?

The Pop Culture Universe in  
2011-2012

If we have learned one thing this year, it is that many things are rapidly changing, while others are remaining all too the same. From the death of icons, to weddings, and the end of a saga, the pop culture world appears to have never stopped buzzing.

The End of an Era: The *Harry Potter* saga ended in July much to the sadness of its fans. It is hard to say what will take its place. *Hunger Games*, anyone?



The New It Couple: Prince William and Kate Middleton married in April. People all over the world tuned in to watch the wedding. Stores were even selling notepads, mugs, and spoons with Prince William and Kate's faces.



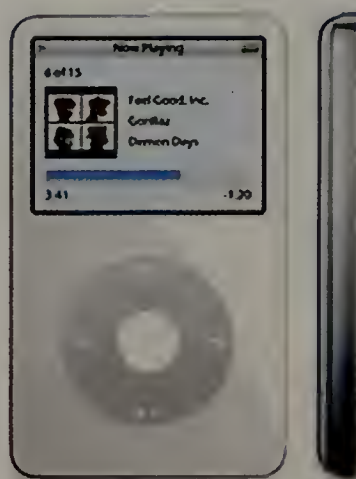
Major Deaths Whitney Houston passed away February 11th. Other high profile deaths included Steve Jobs (October 5th) and Amy Winehouse (July 23rd).

## The Biggest Movies and Songs of 2011



The Biggest Movies of 2011 include:

*The Artist*  
*War Horse*  
*The Descendents*  
*The Help*  
*Hugo*  
*Drive*  
*Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy*  
*Moneyball*  
*Midnight In Paris*



The Biggest Songs of 2011:  
"Rolling In the Deep" by Adele  
"Someone Like You" by Adele  
"Firework" by Katy Perry  
"E.T." by Katy Perry  
"Pumped up Kicks" by Foster the People  
"Give Me Everything" by Pitbull  
"Born This Way" by Lady Gaga  
"Sexy and I Know It" by LMFAO  
"Superbass" by Nicki Minaj  
"We Found Love" by Rihanna



The Economy Drama Continues:  
Congress found itself in a budget  
gridlock last summer, and our  
Credit Rating was downgraded.



## THE YEAR IN POLITICS

As the next election year approaches, and the Republican Primary is fought out, we watch with bated breath to see the fate of the United States. This year, Osama bin Laden was found and killed, more progress was made in gay rights, and our country faced even more economic problems.



Gay Equality Progress Gay marriage was ratified in New York and Washington.

Finally Found On May 2, 2011, just under 10 years after the events of 9/11, Osama bin Laden was found and killed by US Navy SEALs and CIA operatives in Pakistan. He was buried at sea.

## The Biggest Books and TV Shows of 2011



The Biggest Books of 2011 include: *The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo*, Stieg Larsson  
*The Girl Who Played with Fire*, Stieg Larsson  
*The Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest*, Stieg Larsson  
*Decision Point's*, George W. Bush  
*The Last Song*, Nicholas Sparks  
*Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Ugly Truth*, Jeff Kinney



The Biggest TV Shows of 2011 include:  
*The Walking Dead*  
*Game of Thrones*  
*Spartacus: Vengeance*  
*The Big Bang Theory*  
*How I Met Your Mother*  
*Touch*  
*Once Upon a Time*  
*Pretty Little Liars*  
*The Vampire Diaries*  
*Supernatural*









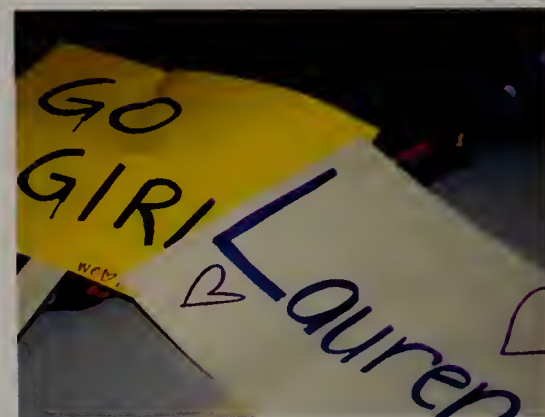
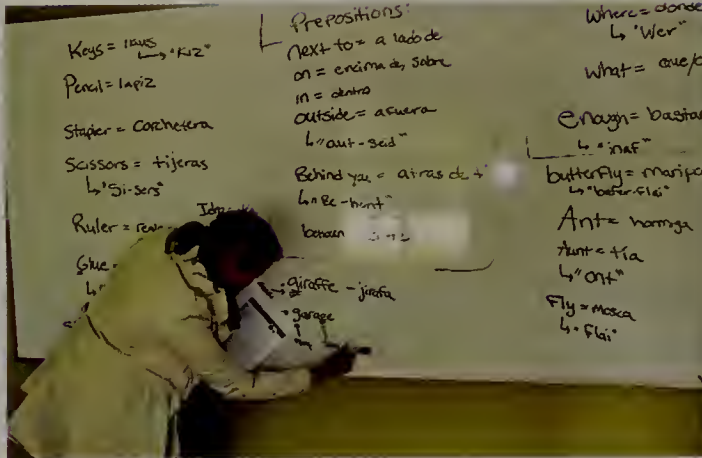
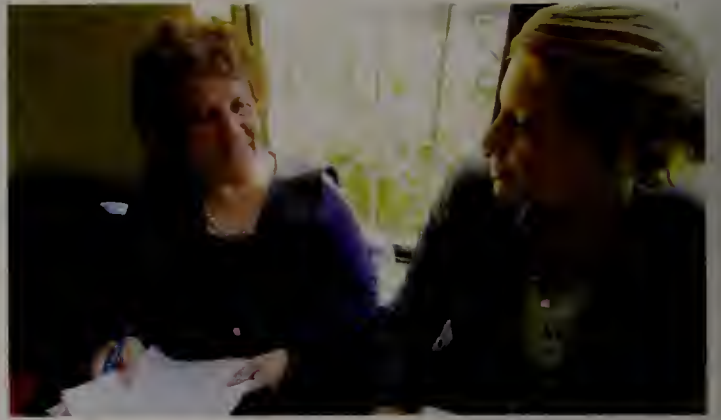
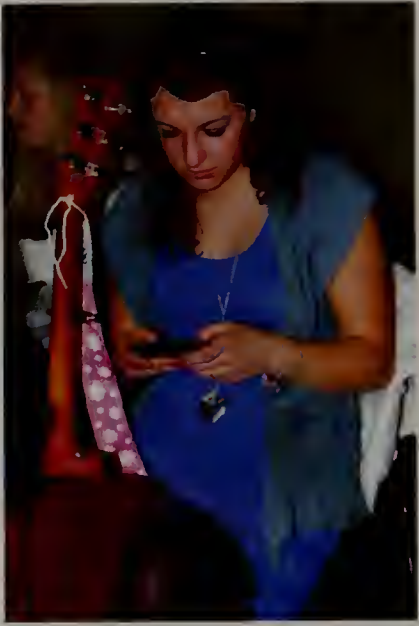
Decades before women in America gained the right to vote, Boston businessman John Simmons had a revolutionary idea — that women should be able to earn independent livelihoods and lead meaningful lives. It was this same spirit of inclusion and empowerment that produced the first African-American Simmons graduate in 1914, and made Simmons one of the only private colleges that did not impose admission quotas on Jewish students during the first half of the 1900s.

Since 1899, Simmons has offered a pioneering liberal arts education for undergraduate women integrated with professional work experience. Today, Simmons also encompasses the many benefits of a small university, including renowned coeducational graduate programs in health studies, education, liberal arts, communications management, social work, and library and information science. We also offer an MBA program designed specifically for women.

For more than 100 years, a Simmons education has integrated professional preparation, intellectual exploration, and community orientation, because all three approaches are necessary for success. At Simmons, we value the many dimensions of identity — including race, class, ethnicity, and sexual identity — and reflect that in our curriculum, affiliated organizations, and community partnerships.

Simmons consistently ranks among the nation's top schools in its category in the US New & World Report annual survey, and is included in the Princeton Review "Best 361 Colleges." That's no surprise. Simmons educates people who share a passion for learning, a commitment to community, and the determination to make a difference.









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# Simmons students are many things...



STRONG

DETERMINED

PASSIONATE

RESILIENT

UNIQUE

IMPRESSIVE





what's your  
**Simmons story?**



# Kristie Leigh Flaherty

From posing with a graduation cap at age 1 to wearing your own at the age of 22, we have been proud of you every step of the way!

Love,

Dad, Mom, Billy, Kerri, Lisa, Meghan, Daniel, Felicia, Larry, Zayda, Ciara, Kalia, Jazia, Kylie, Trevaun, Jacob, Kayleigh, Corey, Makayah, Cameron, Kyden and Chloe



## SAIRAH JOSEPH

We are so proud of all your accomplishments! All the best in all your future endeavors! Keep up that smile! Congratulations! Love, Pa, Ma, Weno.





# SIGNATURES:



# letter from the editor

Dear Simmons College,

The work that has been put into this book is incredible. This has been one of the largest and longest projects I have ever been a part of. When Micayla Boari, the Editor-in-Chief went to Italy for the semester, I had no idea what I was taking on when I took over the position from her. I have learned so much through this process and it has been extremely rewarding.

With such a small staff it is incredibly difficult to put together a cohesive and visually appealing book, but this year we were able to create a stunning book thanks to the help of everyone on the Microcosm staff. A special thanks to all the staff that showed up on Sunday afternoons to help me out. I couldn't have done my job without you.

I would especially like to thank Susan Chudd, our advisor and Tom Keeley, our representative for all of the help they have given me this semester. Also, to all of the students who submitted pictures, the yearbook wouldn't be complete without your help. I hope everybody enjoys this book as much as I enjoyed making it.

















